

BT launches huge takeover

US company target in £15bn pioneer deal

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RITISH Telecom last night when it announced that it was in British Corpo-rate history when it announced that it was American communications

ciant, in a £15 billion deal. The takeover, which would be the second biggest in world

history, would create a rival for American group AT&T as the world's biggest telecom-

would easily rival AT&T's market value of £34 billion. Shares in MCI, which had earlier raced ahead in frantic trading, were suspended on the New York stock eachange yes-terday afternoon after MCI ---the second biggest long dis-tance carrier in America --confirmed it was in talks with BT. Trading in BT ahares, which closed down 49 at 351%, had closed before rumours of the takeover broke. News of the deal comes as BT -- which is expected to pay for MCI with a mixture of cash and shares -- seeks to establish itself as one of the the world's biggest telecom-munications company. Sources close to the deal said last night that BT was "supremely confident" that the merger would go through. News of the proposed deal, 12 years after it was priva-tised by Margaret Thatcher's government, would cement

government, would cement BT's status as a world power in the telecoms industry. A combined BT, whose

stock market value is more than £22 billion, and MCI, which is worth £10.5 billion, would easily rival AT&T's of the century. The company already has a

number of strategic alliances with various European opera-tors, including German utilities group Viag, and last year attempted to merge with Brit-ish rival Cable & Wireless in a bid to secure its future in the Far East. Last night BT executives, led by chairman Sir Iain Val-

lance, were locked in talks at the company's headquarters near St Paul's cathedral, and were talking to their Wash-ington-besed counterparts at establish itself as one of the

biggest players in the world telecoms market, which in-dustry experts say will be dominated by just two or three companies by the turn of the companies by the turn of the companies by the turn billion in June 1993, admitted last night that it was consid-morning." BT, which snapped up a 20 per cent stake in MCI for \$4.3 billion in June 1993, admitted last night that it was consid-ering a "strategic merger" with the American merger

with the American group. A BT spokesman said: "BT is considering a possible stra-tegic merger with MCL BT's board will meet over the weekend to consider an anticipated proposal from MCI. BT anticipates that it will be able to make an announcement the deal.

prior to the opening of the London markets on Monday." tions, monitored by the Fed-eral Communications . Com-Meanwhile, MCI spokes-man Frank Walter said: mission, foreign carriers may only take a stake of over 25 "MCPs board of directors is per cent in a US carrier if its considering a strategic home market is open to competition from US companies. merger with BT. MCI antici-

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The real thing . . . mysterious threats scuppered Puttnam plans for biopic of Irish leader

Job seekers face criminal checks

Alan Travis Home Affairs Editor

> VERY job applicant in Britain will have to procriminal record under powers unveiled by the Home Secre-tary, Michael Howard,

The Police Bill will give all employers - not just those involved in work with chil-dren or the vulnerable - the right to demand to know the criminal record of job applicants. This great extension of official vetting is expected to result in eight million checks

criminal past could be excluded from the labour market. The requirements will come into force within 18 months

Penal reformers said last night that it was reasonable to allow full vetting of those working with children, but a decision to allow any employer to demand past convic-tions was excessive.

"There is a real risk that employers will 'play safe' and refuse jobs to anyone with a criminal record," Paul Cavadino of the Penal Affairs Consortium said last night.

Job seekers will have to pay a new Criminal Records gency between 55 and £15 to The publication of the get a "criminal conviction scheme came as the Home Office said last night that the certificate" giving details of their past which are logged Government had decided to on the Police National adopt proposals to prosecute in domestic courts British Computer. A three-tier system of tourists who sexually abused children abroad. Until yesterchecks will operate. Any em-ployer will be able to insist an day, ministers had decided to individual provide the basic certificate listing all their convictions which are not exleave such measures to a private member's bill. The decision to press ahead empted under the 1974 Rehawith the vetting scheme led to concerns yesterday that up to bilitation of Offenders Act. However a "full check" will turn to page 2, column 4



How troubles with script from Mr Jordan, took over as head of Columbia Pictures in Hollywood. He Coke and army killed Collins film

Dan Gisister Arts Correspo

WHAT do Cocs-Cols, the British army and Cadbury Schweppes have to do with Michael Collins?

Michael Collins? Ten years after a biopic of the Irish republican leader release of Nell Jordan's

inherited a script entitled Mick, written by Roghan Harris, to be directed by Michael Cimmo, who made The Deschunter. The film had got as far as screen tests. Columbia at that time was failed is get off the ground, its British producer Sir David Paitnam has revealed how a curious combination of the Trou-bles and the Colke wars be-tween Coce-Cola and arch rival Pepsi Cola may have belowd to common the nonowned by Coca-Cola, part of the corporation's diversifica-tion into leisure and enter-tainmeart. In Battain, Coca-Cola supplied the British army, an important and very large coniract for the com-pany, which was distributed by Cadbury Schweppes in the UK and Ireland.

version, Michael Collins.

The warnings apparently suggested that if Coca-Cola's subsidiary Columbia "I must have told people made the film, there would

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that I was looking at this | be violent reprisals against In 1986 Sir Devid, who film and strange words the company's interests. originally commissioned the started coming back," said "Mr Cadbury said: Noth-Sir David yesterday. "It ing may come of this, but is caluminated in me having a meeting with Francis Vin-cent." Mr Vincent was at the time chairman of Comen might end up being lumbia Pictures and presi-dent of Coca-Cola's entershot as a warning?" A month later he had a

tainment business sector. The initial concerns about second meeting with Mr Vincent at which he was the film had apparently been raised by Cadbury Schweppes. "I went and saw Dominic Cadbury. He was given an idea of the prob-lems the film might create for Coca-Cola. "He said: 'We've received

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very charming and said they'd had warnings, which a military communication in Atlanta that, for example, the British army would stop buying Coke, they'd pull out of Coca-Cola and switch to the opposition." were of real concern," said

In soft drink terms this means Pepsi Cola.

Mr Vincent said the com municaton had been received in Atlanta from British army colonel in charge of supplies. Sir David challenged Mr Vin-cent to show him a letter from the British army con-

firming this. No letter was available. Sir David went on: "I said you're now dealing with something which is big. It ceases to be a silly bit of pressure applied to a movie. This becomes a major issue. If anyone in the British army believes he can stop a movie being "In the end we laughed. We didn't do the movie, no

one else did the movie, and it just died a death.

But straw polls taken yes

five million people with a PHOTOMONTAGE ROGER TOOTH



Hand of Hoddle keeps Gazza in England squad despite protests from women's groups

John Duncan Sports Correspondent

OR years Paul Gascoigne's talents on the football field have allowed him to shrug off the image of foul-mouthed boozer and ill-disciplined TOUDS. clown prone to wild binges. But few have been prepared to forgive and forget the the safety of women," said Ju-recent allegations that he beat. He. Bindel, spokeswoman for up his wife in a Scottish hotel an international conference last month - except born on violence and abuse of

again Christian and England women. "It is an outrage that manager Glan Hoddle. he is to be made a national manager Glan Hoddle. Hoddle's decision to include hero in this way, and that he Gascoigne in the England squad for their next World will be even more of a role model for many boys and Cup qualifying game in Geor-gia has outraged women's voung men."

"Allowing Gascoigne. to represent England can only give the impression that it is all right to beat your wife," said Sandra Horley, chief ex-"Hoddle has clearly shown that football and winning a match is more important than the safety of women," said Ju-

their marriage - is reported to have headbutted her and for the Georgia game on merit," he said, "At no time have I — or would I — condislocated three of her fingers in an attack at a Gleneagles hotel on October 13. But Hoddle, who also called

up Tony Adams (a recovering alcoholic who once went to prison for drunk driving) and Paul Merson (who has battled against gambling, cocaine

ecutive of Refuge. Gascoigne — who has con-fersed previously to violence against his wife Sheryl before Refuge. And alcohol addiction) de-fended the decision. "My assessment is that Paul should be in my squad in the rime examples that Jesus spoke about was for-giveness in the long term, not just the short term."

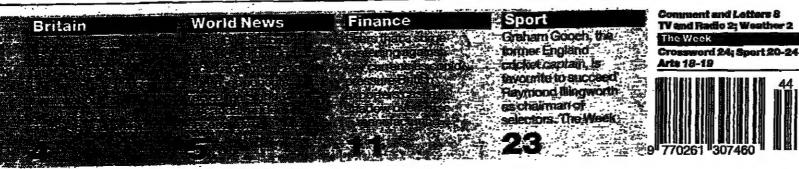
terday suggest people have turned against Gescoigne. Aldone what Paul has done. I most two-thirds (64 per cent) of 2,000 callers to a Radio Five Live poll said Hoddle was expect high standards. I also accept that people are human. "Paul knows he has to wrong to include Gascoigne. change in the long term. My In a similar poll of 1,000 aim is to do nothing in the short term that might turn out cent said Hoddle should not aim is to do nothing in the short term that might turn out to be unheight in the future. have picked Gascoigne.

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Job seekers to Woman with history of depression planned to blame colleagues after tampering with patient's ventilator

Nurse in sabotage plot jailed



falsified her own medical records to hide psychiatric illn

The weather in Europe

Maggie O'Kana N INTENSIVE care nurse was jailed for five years yes-ierday for interferng with the ventiof a 67-year-old woman nt in the hope of blaming colleagues and increasing s of promotion. Amanda Jenkinson, ag was found guilty at Not-gham crown court of causing grievous bodily harm with intent to the patient at Bassetlaw hospital, Worksop, Nottinghamshire. The patient died three days later, al-though the court accepted that her death was not the result of the tampering incldent. Jenkinson was also defit. Jenginson was also cleared of attempting to cause grievous bodily harm to two other female patients. It emerged yesterday that Jenkinson had altered her own medical records to con-ceal a history of depression after an abortion 15 years ago. She was described by wit-nesses as a difficult and truculent woman who believed promotion was being unfairly denied to her. Last night North Notting-hamshire Health Authority commissioned an inquir

stress for staff.

patients

what you did for your own selfish purposes and you caused great harm to a wom-an who unhappily was going to die, but nevertheless you caused her that harm." During the four-week trial, the court was told how Jen-kinson had altered a ventila-the triated of the termined to gain promotion from her grade D rank. The inquiry developed into one of the largest investiga-tions in the health service. Hospital managers called in police in February 1994, one month after suspending Jen-throw the termined to gain promotion from her grade D rank. The inquiry developed into one of the largest investiga-tions in the health service. Hospital managers called in police in February 1994, one During the four-week trial, the court was told how Jen-kinson had altered a ventila-tor attached to Kathleen Temple at the intensive ther-

apy unit. Mrs. Temple was admitted to the hospital in a serious condition, suffering chroni-cally obstructed airways. She was put on a ventilator and seemed to be making good Drogress.

Colleagues and patients were treated with contempt as she tried to secretly stage-manage events

Peter Joyce QC, prosecuting

into the running of the hospi-tal. The management of the But late one night Jenkin-son switched the breathing hospital said a new investigation would create undue control on the ventilator from a high rate to a low rate, leav-ing her with only 0.8 assisted breaths every minute instead of eight. She died three days After the trial, police revealed that Ms Jenkinson was suffering from a psychi-atric condition following an abortion in 1983. She was sacked from Bassetlaw in 1995 after falsifying her medical records and two other suspi-clous incidents involving two Jenkinson claimed she w not on the four-bed ward at the time and could not have altered the machine

But the jury agreed with the prosecution case that Jenkinson, who had started at Mr Justice Owen told Jen-"All nurses the hospital in March 1990,

and determined to

kinson. By November that year detectives revealed they were making inquiries at eight other hospitals in the north of England and were ex-amining 57 other unusual incidents at those hospitals. Several hundred medical

staff, patients and their rela-tives were interviewed. The investigation dated back to cases in 1982 and cov-ered Nottingham City Hospital: the Gloucestershire Royal; Southmead Hospital, Bristol; John Radcliffe, South London; the Central Middlesex, west London, and the Northern General, Sheffield. Ms Jenkinson had worked at all of them. In May last year Jenkinson appeared before magistrates charged with the murder of a

59-year-old patient, Winifred Cashman. The charges were later dropped to be replaced by the ones she faced this Rosa Jones, a nurse at Bas setlaw, said of Jenkinson in court "She would deal with patients on her own rather han ask for help. I just used

to take her the way I found her. She seemed to be very confident in her work, very exacting." Peter Joyce QC, Peter Joyce QC, prosecut-ing, told the court "She was never slow to criticise other nursing staff who she felt stood in her way. The result [was] that both colleagues and

patients were treated with a contempt that they did not de serve as she secretly tried to

continued from page 1 be available, including infor-mation on all convictions, whether or not "spent" under the 1974 Act, as well as police cautions, for a much wider range of jobs. These "criminal record certificates" will be needed by all those who work with the elderly, the sick and handicapped people, those working in professions in health, pharmacy and the law and semior managers in

face a crime

banking and financial services. A third "enhanced check" which will provide employers with "non-conviction" information such as acquittals, charges dropped and even police intalligence on current operations, will cover those

who regularly work unsuper-vised with children. The new vetting agancy will not be opposed by Labour, which last night welcomed its

impact on the private security industry. But the human rights organisation, Liberty, voiced serious concern.

"The criminal records car-tificates will risk condemning people to a lifetime of unem-ployment because of one criminal conviction which may bear no relevance to their ability to do their job," John Wadham, Liberty's di-

ector, said. The civil rights organisation was also critical of the Police Bill's new powers to place "intrusive surveillance" operations against serious criminals on a legal footing and the creation of a new Surveillance Commissioner to deal with complaints about electronic bugs

placed by the police. The new Police Bill was published at the same time as Mr Howard's gun control leg-islation to ban 80 per cent of handguns in the wake of the Dunblane massacre.

the Liberal Democrats forcing through a complete ban with the support of some rebel Tories suffered a setback yesterday when the Ulster Unionists made clear they would not back a 100 per cent prohibition. The however remains tight, as it appears likely that the nine Official Unionists will abstain on the key vote.

John Taylor, Ulster Union-ist deputy leader, said: "We do not believe that it's neces-sary to abolish all handguns as some people are suggest-ing. We think that's a rather emotional reaction to the tragedy of Dimblane.

But the Tory MP Robert Hughes, who is campaigning for the prohibition of all handguns, said he would

table an amendment to the Bill at a later stage seeking such a ban. He was backed by the Snowdrop petition orga-niser. Ann Pearston, who greeted the Government's roposed 80 per cent handgur ban by urging the public not

to vote Conservative. Mr Howard's proble John Carlisle pounded by the Conservative MP for Luton North, who claimed the support of 50 other Tories who opposed any ban on handguns and predicted that the gun con-trol bill would face a "tortuous time" in Parliament.

The Firearms (Amendment) Bill published by Mr Howard yesterday doubles the expected available compensation to up to 250 million giving gun owners the market value of their weapons on the day last month he announced the ban in the Compons. The British Shooting Sports Council said this would prove inadequate and predicted that the final compensation bill

would be nearer £170 million for the guns without any payments being made for ammu

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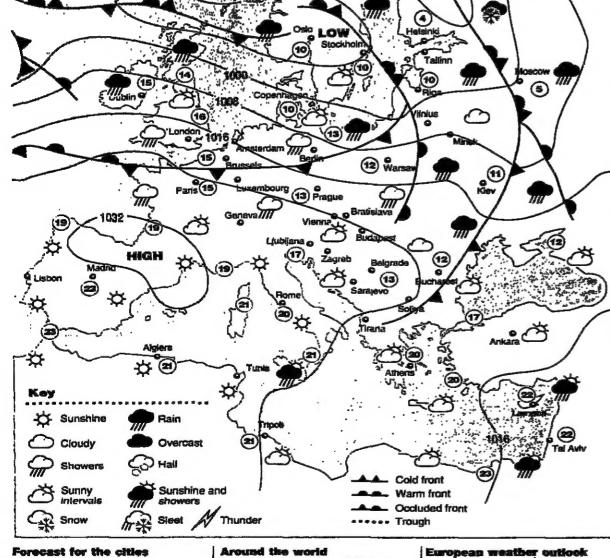
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Presses: Nonthern France will be grey and dreary with a lit-tic drizzly rain, but central and southern areas should be line and bright with the best of the sun-shine along the Mediterranean coast and in the Pyrenees. Max temp ranging from 15C in the north to 21C on the Riviera. Spain and Pertugat: A ridge of high pressure will maintain the fine weather with lots of warm sunshine and light winds, although tog may be troublesome early and late Max temp 19-23G.

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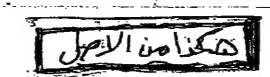
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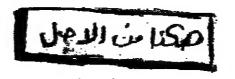
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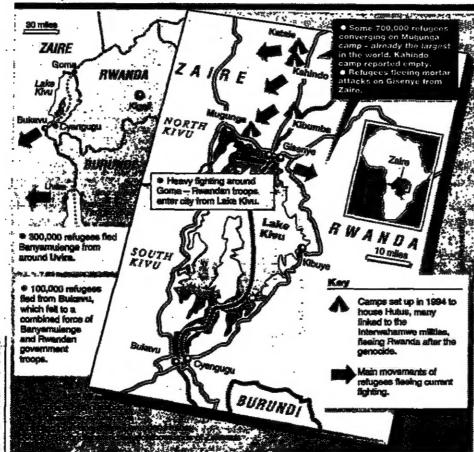
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Ghosts of Africa walk to oblivion

Witchhunts spread to capital as Rwandan troops pour



Yesterday in Uvira, the

scene of an early success by the Tutsi rebels, the leader of

the rebellion, Laurent Kabila, claimed the war was a baitle

for the soul of all Zaire. Mr Kabila, wearing a safari suit, sat in his rebel head-quartars, the front room of which passes for a grand house in Uvira — one of the first towns he seized after lumching his offensize two

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"Our objectives are clear," be said. "We are fighting for a

Friday, November 1st: A day of disaster in central Africa

Rwandan govt troops invade Goma from the lake. Heavy fighting follows.

Aid workers hide in their homes for a second day as Zairean troops loot Goma.

□ 700,000 refugees flee to Mugunga camp - the world's largest. □ Rwandans flee from border as Gisenve is



A UNHCR spokeswoman, Ruth Marshall, reported continuing attacks by Tutsis on refugee camps in eastern Zaire, provoking panic in ter-rible conditions. "People are slopping around in shit -- it is heading towards catastrophe," she said. More than 100,000 refugee

and local Zairean residents were making their way south from Kahindo to Mugunga camp. The camp is out of the control of the international agencies. Bodies are regularly found: sums and erapades can ound; guns and gren be bought with ease: and the najority of refugees are kept n a state of fear by the killers to prevent them returning to

Nearly 200,000 refugees

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WANDAN government troops in uniform last night entered the eastern Zairean town of Goma, dramatically escalating the po-litical crisis in the region where more than 1 million

refligees are on the pove. Sadako Ogata, the head of the United Nations' refugee agency, fears a disaster greater than that of 1994. when about 50,000 newly-arrived Rwandan ratugees died of epidemics in stinking, overcrowded camps in eastern Zaire.

ern Zaire. Zaire, Rwanda, Burandi and Uganda are all now threatened with the secala-tion of an ethnic war which began as two local strongles between bands from the HI-disciplined and unpaid Zair-ean army and longtime Futsi residents in eastern Zaire.

Kinshasa, yesterday with a witchhunt against prominent Tutais in the business community. Dozens fied to neigh-bouring Congo.

A mob of several fundred demonstrators attacked and looted Tutsl-owned property in the capital, stealing dozens of cars, according to a Reuters Television cameraman, Marc Hoogsteyns. "I saw them mash the windows of two shops said to be owned by Turbis in central Kinabasa and loot a beer truck." he said. "They were driving

Zairean troops looted it | back under government con- | sitional government which before the Rwandan army trol. He also claimed control would eventually organise arrived by boat over the lake of nearby Uvira. democratic elections." around in dosens of stolen cars." Zaire's parliament called for the expulsion of all Tursis from the country and the breaking of relations with Rwands, Burundi and and heavy fighting erupted. Further south, the Zairean army was finally routed in the town of Bukavu. Heavily armed uniformed Tutsi rebels

Uganda — accused of backing the Tutsi rebellion. took control and civilians began to trickle back yester-day, according to a Reuter In eastern Zaire, witnesses on the Rwanda-Zaire border at Gisenyi said mortars were

journalist, Corinne Dufka, who had been trapped inside the town for two days. They were well-disciplined, fired first from the Zairean side of the border. Thousands of people fied in panic and Rwandan troops began to return fire. In Goma, the base for aid

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hit by mortars from Zaire.

Witchhunt against Tutsis in Zairean capital Kinshasa. Many flee to Congo.

100 foreigners, mostly missionaries, shelter from looting Zairean troops in Bukavu cathedral. Banyamulenge rebels take control of town.

Zaire assembly votes to break relations with Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi and expel all Tutsis.

UN calls for regional summit. Rwanda and Zaire refuse.

At his headquarters, Mr Kabila introduced other rebel With the pendulum of military control appearing to leaders, including one with a swing in favour of the various groups of rebels and their allies, confusion and panic cellular phone booked up to neighbouring Burundi. among the refugees mounted. "At one point yesterday we had refugees on the road walking in both directions," said Panos Mountzis, a France has added its voice to those accusing Rwanda of backing the rebellion, but Mr Kabila denies receiving any foreign assistance.

There are hints otherwise. Some of his troops wear the Rwandan army's familiar Wellington boots, rarely seen among other soldiers in the region spokesman for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees in Goma. "They are really panicking. They are very scared. They do not know where to go." region. In contrast with the disci-

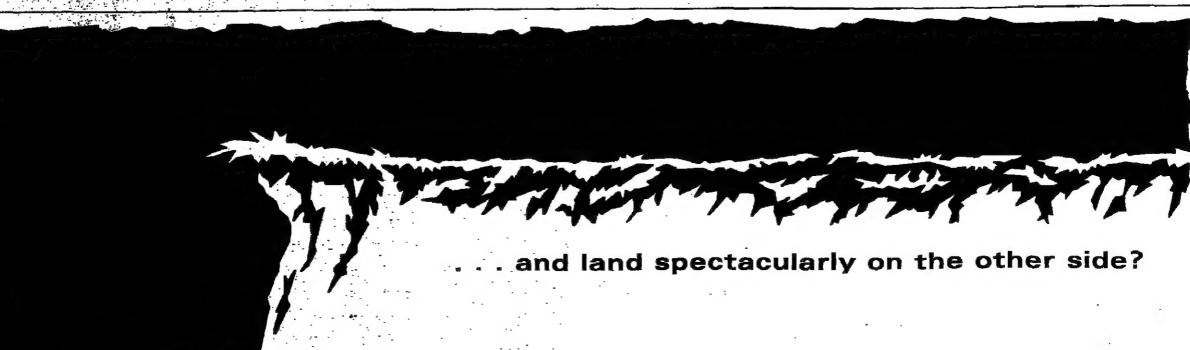
Direct data as with the disci-plined force reported to have taken Bukavu, the rebel soldiers hanging about the streets of Uvira were not im-pressive. Young boys mingled with an old man in a blue raincoat, a gun in his hand. There was the usual guerrilla mismatch of uniforms. UN officials and foreign aid workers said already appalling conditions in the refugee camps — including 500,000 people — were wors-ening. Food and water short-ages are compounded by a growing public health prob-lem — and terror. UN officials and foreign aid action. BU ministers have been invited to meet in Brussels energency bumanitarian support for the refugees caught in the fighting in east-ern Zaire, the current holder of the EU presidency, Ireland, said yesterday. UN officials and foreign aid

Ian Bray, Oxfam's spokes-man, described the situation as "basically, mayhem". Thousands of refugees were moving west into Zaire but aid workers were unable to keep track of them. Some were moving north towards Goma, others who had been attacked by Tutsis had been attacked by lusis were moving south of Uvira towards the Fizi Plain. But, Mr Bray added, "no one really knows where people

are going". Oxfam issued a statement saying the Geneva Conven-tion on behaviour in war was being torn up in Zaire and told the international community that central Africa was

heading for a "firestorm of instability". Oxfam said that if the root causes of the conflict in central Africa are not addressed. humanitarian crises on the present scale would be a regular occurrence.

It accused politicians of "failing to do their job" and of using the huge humanitarian effort in the area triggered by the previous Rwandan crisis as a substitute for political action



Mr Kabila heads the "Alli-ance of Democratic Forces for

the Liberation of Congo-

Zaire" - his supporters are keen to point out the signifi-

cance of the name. This not only claims to be a

national movement, but one that harks back to before President Mobutu Sese Seko changed the country's name.

Mr Kabila insists it is not a

movement merely born of a backlash by Zaire's Banyamu-

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Kamal Ahmed on a museum which will house an archive giving a unique insight into the care of the mentally ill in England



Deceit and Duplicity, by Richard Dadd (above left) and Raving Madness, one of two sculptures on gate posts outside Bethlem's 17th century site

The Guardian Saturday November 2 1996

Lottery opens up 750 years of Bedlam

T HAS been home to po-tential assassing of the monarch, one of Samuel Pepys's closest friends and some of the most tortured brains in history. It also has some pretty good art

The Royal Bethlem Hospi-tal, better known as Bedlam, is planning to open the doors of its 750-year-old archive, allowing a unique insight into the history of mental health in Britain.

The Bethlem Museum, at present a small room at the hospital in Beckenham, south London, which can only be seen by appointment, has un- ius Cibber, which once stood veiled ambitious plans for a on the gate posts at the hospi-21 million building. The tal's 17th century home at persecution complex, did

Items owned by the hospital include works of art by Rich-ard Dadd, the Victorian artist well as a reconstruction of a 19th century ward.

"This is a unique archive tracing the history of the hos-pital and attitudes to mental who murdered his father; writings, poems and pictures detailing the lives of patients health," said Patricia Allderin the hospital, and a founda-tion stone thought to be from the original Bethlem hospital idge, curator of the archive. "There are many myths about Bethlem, that people were just dumped here, chained up and never allowed to leave. in Bishopsgate, built in 1247. One of the largest exhibits will be the two stone sculp-"Although it is true that Bethlem has had its ups and downs, there were genuine attures, Raving Madness and Malancholy Madness, by Catempts to cure people." Dadd, who suffered from a

His paintings in the collec-tion include Sketch to Illus-

irate the Passions, which car-icatured Turner, a Wayside Inn and a portrait of Sir Thomas Phillips, Dadd's patron who first noticed signs of mental illness. Dadd became convinced that the Devil, disguised as an acquaintance, was going to kill him. Before he was sent to Bethlem he murdered his father and attacked a number

of people while travelling in France

Other patients' work in-

scheme, which has received planning permission from the index of Jonsthan Mar-planning permission from the index of Jonsthan Mar-local council, will go before in the original hospital. There will also be examples the Heritage Lottery Fund be-fore the end of the year. Items of strait-jackets and iron man-acles used at the hospital, as including a series of four of the second in the second down. York Minster in 1829, including a series of four of the second in the second in the second down. York Minster in 1829, including a series of four of the second in the second i his large pen and ink draw-ings, complete with raging fires and depictions of the son of Napoleon Bonaparte, whom he thought would conquer Britain.

There is also poetry by James Hatfield, who tried to Margaret Nicholson, who dark cells. tried to stab the king and was admitted to Bethlem at George III's request.

"There are so many fascinating stories here," Ms Allderidge said.

cords and treatment tech-niques are also held by the hospital. Methods included blood letting, bathing in warm water and being "jollied up" by well-meaning

Bethlem got the name Bedlam after visitors were allowed in to see the patients as a means of raising money Stories, often barely based on shoot George III at the Drury fact, were told about walling Lane Theatre, and a picture of inmates who were kept in

William Hogarth's A Rake's Progress of 1735 showed men chained up, insanely scribbling on walls and mumbling with jester's hats on.

In reality the governors of | try. The Heritage Lottery | hibits a horse's gallstone.

Photographs, patient re- the museum did try to im- Fund has provided more than cords and treatment tech- prove the environment in the 2300 million for more than 100 prove the environment in the 18th and 19th centuries by enprojects.

larging windows, bringing in domestic furniture and pot Most of us have existed on a shoestring for the past decade," said Valerle Bott, depplants and even forming a uty director of the Museums and Galleries Commission. hospital band to soothe

Many of these projects "We want to show how attiwould never have gone ahead if there wasn't lottery money around.

tudes to mental illness have changed and what is happen-ing today in this field," Ms Allderidge said. "We want people to think much more More unusual awards in-clude funding for the West widely about the whole sub-Runton elephant excavation in Norfolk, one of Britain's most complete fossilised remains, and the Cawthorne Bethlem hopes to be the latest in a long line of museums to take advantage of the lot-tery money which has seen a new lease of life in the indus-Museum in Barnsley, an eclectic mixture of Victoriana which includes among its ex-

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Formidable case against single currency is vintage Healey

Michael White Political Editor

HEN Denis Healey let loose his broad side against a European single in the House Lords this week he reminded fellow-politicians that at age 79 the Balliol Bruiser is still one of the cleverest men in the business as well as one of the most boisterous bulls in a very posh china shop. It was ever thus. The man

who baitled as Labour's chancellor in the oil crisis of 1974/ 79 has rarely been able to resist candour - it cost him the party leadership in 1980.

Though he is complaining to the BBC about the way Gordon Brown's comments on his Lords speech were portrayed - prompting him to patronise the shadow chan-

ment experience — the inci-dent is vintage Healey. the exchange rate mechanism (ERM) in 1992 and ruining So too is the awkward fact Norman Lamont's career. It is a worst-case scenario for that he put up a formidable what would happen if Chancase: that the case for Eurocellor Kohl — the classic "old man in a hurry" — pushes France into a single currency pean economic and monetary union (EMU) is economic, not union (EMO) is economic, not political, and that Germany's internal EMU, when Helmust Kohl reunited his divided country in 1990, shows how huge the necessary sacrifices are — even for "a single people and a single state under a single leader." before Europe is ready. Europe's disparities were just as great as Germany's in 1990, and Mr Kohl had made plain that Germany will not foot the bill, said Lord Healey. Already the pressure of the Maastricht criteria — low inunder a single leader. Lord Healey sold it had cost West Germany £400 billion --flation, low borrowing, stable

between 3 and 4 per cent of interest rates - had inflicted GDP — to make unification work, 85 per cent of Germans what the Financial Times last week called "a dismal level of economic performance" on still felt worse off, 15 per cent of East Germans were still jobless and many were flock-Paris and Bonn. To meet the criteria, all but ing west. The Bundesbank tiny states like Luxembourg had opposed a single German and Ireland will have to "fidcurrency and had been right. He might have added that dle the figures". From the standpoint of the

this amounts to a double whammy: an "anti-Euroas well as a "Labour split" story. Gordon Brown could probably have done without it, though he was said to be "pretty relaxed" about it. Tony Blair and Robin Cook have no problem. The shadow cabinet's position. on which all three broadly agreed, is to see

Europe as an opportunity, whereas John Major, his sceptics at his heels, prefers to present it as a threat. That is the rhetoric. The reality is that both front benches are adopting a wait-and-see approach to the single currency timetable. Yes, if it works, No

if it doesn't. Mr Brown stres ses the ad vantages of a stable currency regime and (in theory) lower interest rates. Mr Cook warns against narrow financial cri-

cellor for having no govern- | the cost included breaking up | Tory Euro-sceptic press, all | teria which will be deflationary. Mr Blair leans both ways

Like Lord Healey this week, all three stress the impor-tance of job creation in a Europe of 20 million unemployed — though John Major says the social chapter is exactly the wrong way to start. What Lord Healey, a Ger

man-speaker with excellent German contacts, did was to point out that many signifi-cant EU players now "fear di-saster" if Mr Kohl insists on the 1999 timetable — that it will "divide Europe, not unite it". Public opinion, except in Holland, had turned against it, by 65 per cent in Germany. What Lord Healey and pro-

single currency advocates. like Ken Clarke, agree on is that, in or out, Britain has a vital interest because a "di-saster" would hurt both ins and outs.



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Lord Healey . . . If Kohl insists on 1999 timetable 'it will divide Europe, not unite it'

EC denies British taxpayers Major threatens retaliation may finance foreign pensions for expected EU court ruling

John Paimer in Brussels

HE European Commission yesterday dismissed sug-gestions that British taxpayers might have to pay for other EU countries' pension payments, if Britain joins the

single European currency. British media reports of warnings by the House of Commons social security committee about "unfounded" pension schemes in other EU countries were seen in Brussels as yet another example of the propaganda war being waged by Eurosceptics against monetary union. The commission yesterday

accepted that, because of the growing number of elderly people, problems could arise in EU countries into the next century if the existing system of financing pensions is not altered. But commission officials point out the Maastricht treaty explicitly rules out any liability failing on taxpayers of one country for the pension liabilities of another.

"Even a cursory reading of the Manstricht treaty shows there is an unambiguous 'no bail out' clause. This means

that if Britain takes part in Michael White Political Editor monetary union, British taxpayers cannot be asked to pay the cost of refinancing the pension schemes of another OHN Major declared yes Uterday his government is poised to veto forthcoming participating member state, one adviser to the commischanges in the structure of the European Union in retalision's president, Jacques Santer, said.

"The media reports of the British Parliament study court ruling against Britain next weekend in the battle over the 48 hour working seem to be confused in their understanding both of the treaty and of monetary union. "The treaty makes it clear that governments will have to The move came as Labour attacked the so-called "beef war", which chief whip Donmake provision for their pension fund liabilities within ald Dewar yesterday dubbed "a great political disaster" that has left farmers and conthe budget deficit limits which are laid down for monetary union," he continued. sumers in the lurch.

Weak leadership and poor negotiating skills had left the "It will not be possible for countries simply to run up bigger deficits, beyond the three per cent limit, to fi-nance these liabilities. That is EU's Florence agreement unimplemented by Britain and her 14 partners unwilling to not on precisely because it bend, Labour declared behind would mean higher interest rates for evryone else." its new slogan "Enough is Enough." The battle over EU governments have for some time recognised that demographic trends pose a popredicts. tentially serious funding

problem for "pay as you go" crude electioneering on the largely-symbolic issue, senior government pension schemes. "That is why member states have begun to reform." ministers and officials are adamant the EU's working time

directive exceeds its agreed authority in imposing a 48 hour limit on the time people can be obliged to work each week. They claim it is such a threat to jobs and labour flexi-bility. it warrants blocking any reform emerging from the "Maastricht II" inter-governmental conference (IGC) underway — unless the EU Court of Justice's likely ver-dict is overturned by the legal ation for the expected EU changes enacted by the Coun-cil of Ministers.

The prime minister told BBC News: "We believe it is wrong to try and impose it on the UK. That is why we have gone to court. If we win so much the better. If we don't I shall seek treaty changes in the IGC to return the law to neo-fascists what I agreed it would be at Maastricht. Labour says that confronta tional tactics that fall to deliver no longer impress voters or frighten Brussels.

working hours promises more of the same, Tony Blair Mr Dewar, Labour's chief whip, said later: "I hope we're not going to end up in total Though open to charges of confrontation with Europe on litical democrats. this issue. They are entitled to argue their case though we may think their attitude is

mistaken."

John Paimer in Brussels and Michael White Gaullist RPR.

with Euro neo-nazi groups

Referendum Party linked

The European wing of Sir James Goldsmith's Refer-endum Party is engaged in ur-gent talks with anti-federalist MEPs in Strasbourg to pre-vent their Europe of Nations alliance losing official status Her move has reduced the membership of EDN below the minimum of 18 neded for an officially recognised and financially subsidised Euro-pean Parliament grouping. Critics claim this is in-creasing pressure on the alliance losing official status following a defection to the French Gaullists. Though the Anglo-French

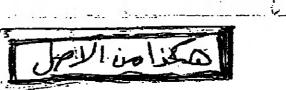
financier insists his support-ers "have no intention of asgroup to make up the num-bers by linking up with the French National Front, the sociating with any extremist group", their alliance with other Eurosceptics groups Belgian neo-fascist Flemish Bloc and the Austrian, Freehas been thrown into turnoil by internal disputes over dom Party which is accused of neo-nazi sympathies.

whether to forge links with Although Sir James has repeatedly denied that he is Goldsmith allies admit that considering any alliance with the far right in the European one member of their group "held an unauthorised meet-Parliament, at least one of Jorg Haider's MEPs, claims there have been contacts. ing" with a representative of Jorg Haider's neo-Nazi Austrian Freedom Party. But Sir James, himself a French they insist that the current crisis involves them in ex-MEP since 1994, has never met Mr Haider and says that any overtures have been rejected. Mr Haider claims ploratory talks only with po-The Europe of the Nations that even if a single united (EDN) faction in Strasbourg, which united the Referendum right wing group is not formed there may be agreeparty with Sir James' French ment on "joint activities".

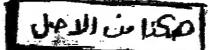
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and Danish anti-Maastricht supporters, may even have to disband after French MEP, Anne-Christine Poisson. resigned to rejoin the neo



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On the campaign trail with the candidates

Bill's brave new world



Martin Walker in Oakland. California

HE clanging of trolley

bells insistent above the thumping rock music, Bill Clinton strode to address the people of Oakland under a huge cardboard model of the Golden Gate bridge, inviting the packed audience to follow him across it to the future.

'It's moving so fast. When I got to the White House, the only people using the Internet were nuclear physicists. These days, even my cat has his own home page on the Web", he told a crowd packed into a shopping mall.

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Like ancient kings' healing touch, the campaign stresses intimate moments That morning, in Phoenix, Arizona, he had walked to the

podium from the state univer-sity building across a swooping arc of stone bedecked with a huge sign: "Building a bridge to the 21st century."

"You'll be working at jobs that bayen't even been invented yet, haven't even been d", he told them.

Ever since Bob Dole told his Republican convention in San Diego that he offered "a bridge to an older, finer America", Mr Clinton has ap-propriated the metaphor of

the bridge — and the future. From his frenetic campaign speeches, that future is a confused and tumultuous place, here 20 million Americana will be working by computer from home by the time of the

government. tury?". is Mr Clinton's con- up to half.

stant question. "Will you help me build it so that we can all walk across it together?" In Jack London square in Oakland, a crowd of more than 10,000 roared that they would. Some wore witches

hats, some wore fright masks for Hallowe'en - even the ultimate terrifler of a Bob Dole mask — and 20 disabled people did a formation parade in motorised wheelchairs sporting Clinton-Gore post-ers. They all yalled back: "Build the bridge, build the

bridge." The largely black city of Oakland, and the adjoining university community of Berkeley, make up one of the most liberal constituencies in the country. Mr Clinton had critics from the left demon-strating against his new wel-fare bill, and gay activists ac-cusing him of "murder by reclose".

cusing min or murder by neglect". But they were lost in the throng of supporters. Only the specialised news and cable channels now bother to film the speech The rest of the cameras wait for the president to plunge into the crowd. They follow him when he hugs a baid child undergoing radiation treatment, when he clasps the hands of an elderly woman who thenks him for direction who thanks him for funding breast cancer research, when he gives a friendly punch to the shoulder of a young black man who says he has given up drugs and is going back to. school and when he rears in mock fright from a Hallowe'en mask. 'He touched me, he touched

me," shricks a small black girl. Like the healing ritual of

the king's touch performed by medieval monarchs, Mr Clinton's campaign stops emphasise these moments of presi-dential intimacy. Amid the rhetoric of the future, this echo of an ancient tradition is a strange anachronism.

The five US television net. works have refused pleas not to broadcast victory forecasts where laboratory rats with severed backbones walk again after nerve transplants, west, *urites Christopher Reed*

in Los Angeles. The three-hour time difference between the two coasts Irom home by the time of the encode between the two Coasis next election, where Aids pa-tients survive and women never lose their breasts to cancer. And where the Repub-licans are never again allowed to close down federal allowed to close down federal

said Ronald Reagan had "Will you help me build besten Jimmy Carter in 1980, that bridge to the 21st cen. voting in the west shumped by



Bob Dole discusses his 96-hour campaign trip with the press corps — some wearing Clinton masks — during a Hallowe'en party aboard his plane late on Thursday

Desperate Dole takes the DIY psycho trail

Jonathan Freedland In Columbus, Ohio

BIS is fast becoming the psycho campaign. A hint of manic dan-ger hovers above Bob Dole's chase for the White House, a kind of devil-maycare recklessness snee ing the candidate could at any moment do something really mad. The slide to insanity

began in earnest yesterday with the launching of the 96-hour "victory" non-stop campaign through at least 15 states that will continue until "high noon" on election day. The trip smacks of mad-

ness, not least because the candidate is aged 73 and prone to wild syntax and wacky rhetoric when tired. Bis logistically challenged staff have struggled to make the buses run on time even when the tours have been long planned.

Today alone Mr Dole will visit eight states, starting with a 4.30am meeting in before tonight is out. In the small hours tomor-

New Jersey. If he has trou-ble filling halls at 8pm, how Vegas to "roll the dice, one is he going to excite people in the middle of a freezing night in Newark? It seems that the whole ore time".

Gallows abounds. A technician in scheme, which has the can-didate visiting truck stops and all-night diners, forthe plane sketched out the victory tour" route on a map on his computer going hotels, showers and a bed, was dreamt up on a whim by the candidate, for screen: the dots joined up to form the word Loser. Two former Republican

presidents, Gerald Ford and George Bush, joined him before an early-morn-ing crowd at the Capital University in Columbus yesterday. Mr Ford nearly confirmed his reputation as Mr Dole is serving as his Mr Dole is serving as his own campaign manager, his assistants reduced to bewildered functionaries. He did that in his failed 1988 attempt for the Repub-lican nomination, when, like a wild-eyed hijacker, he sat at the front of the plane, pointing at a map, saying: "Land there." We are not far from that point in 1996. The timea master bumbler by arg-ing people to vote for Mr Bush, but he recovered. At the end, the trio took a

point in 1996. The time-table changes every hour as he tries to find at least one place where he can make a pince where he can make a difference. He will try in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Kentucky, Mis-souri, Nebraska, South Dakota and Colorado - all ocratic upstart. But an-other fact lurked: both Mr

bow while the public-address system blasted the theme from Les Mis, the one about "singing the songs of angry men". Messrs Ford, Bush and young, draft-dodging Dem-

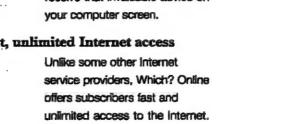
Bush and Mr Ford lost.

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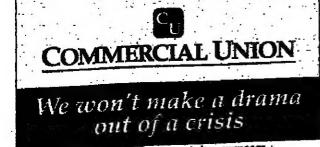
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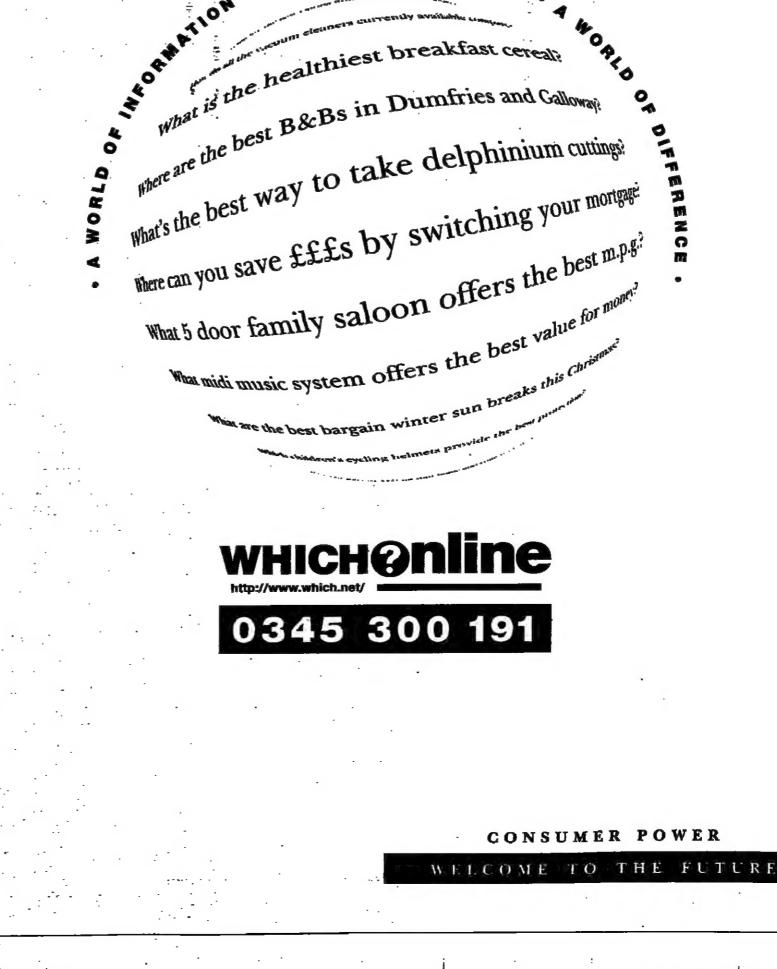
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Scandals threaten grand plans

Education leads next term agenda



Martin Walker -----

HE main strategy for Bill Clinton's second presidential term is already fixed. He will tackle education hard, and adopt a more cautious ap-proach to reforming entitle-ments — the ever more costly pensions and health subsidies for the elderly.

But the factors depend en-tirely on the political compo-sition of the House of Repre-sentatives and the Senate after the election. Mr Clinton will home to restrain a Demowill have to restrain a Democratic majority from hauling him back to the party's "big government" traditions. A Republican majority will have him replaying his role of the past two years, defending entitlements from harsh cuts. Mr Clinton hopes to enact

his own quick-fix reform of Medicare, the health scheme

for the elderly, which will | The economic recovery has fend off the bankruptcy of its | lasted for six years and all trust fund for another 10 years, without the root and end. For the sake of Al Gore's presidential campaign in four years' time, the White House branch reform the Republicans propose.

"If we can work with the next Congress to get a bal-anced budget deal by the year 2002, which does secure the Medicare trust fund for a decade, then that's a confidencebuilding exercise we can get to the longer-term challenges on entitlements," Laura Tyson, the head of the National Economic Council at the White House, told the Guardian this week. "We have time to do this in a bi-partisan way."

and blocking any revival of traditional Democrats in Con-On the reform of the national pension system, he plans to delay serious action by appointing a bipartisan presidential commission gress, with their urban base, their debts to the unions and their nostalgia for Roosevelt's New Deal.

The big idea for the second which could include a determ is to extend the standard feated Bob Dole — to formu-late proposals that both par-ties can agree on. This period of US education to 14 years, and make two years of college or vocational education the norm for all schoolsuggests a creeping privatisa-tion of the system, allowing leavers. "The whole package of edu-Wall Street access to the big-

cation reforms has to happen, gest piggy bank on the planet. A recession is expected. we can make sure we are

would prefer that a mild recession be engineered with higher interest rates soon, giving time for the next recovery to kick in for the Gore campaign. President Clinton's domestic project in the next term will be to consolidate the centrist transformation he has wrought within the Democratic Party. This means en-suring Mr Gore's succession

est it must

High school graduation (above) is the norm for US students now, but Clinton aims to extend the standard with two years of college or vocational training not turning into an oldple at the bottom stay at the bottom," Elaine Kamarck a senior White House policy adviser, said. "We need to maintain what is the great strength of America class mobility." the

fashioned European class system, where the children of House that the president's campaign in his first term to extend global free trade agreements has intensified the pressure of low-wage competition on the unskilled and those least equipped to with-stand it.

The college loan process is one of the few levers a president has in education policy. Only 7 per cent of the overall \$800 billion annual education budget is controlled by the federal government. The rest is run by the states and local school boards, notoriously ealous of their turf.

when he and his wife took on the powerful unions to require teachers to pass regu-lar proficiency tests. This may be one of the few ways the federal government can

whether to repeat on a national scale his big educa-tion reform in Arkansas, initiative will be to expand Nato, while hoping from the margins to manage both Russia's fragility and China's ascendancy, with limited faith in the US ability to influence

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'Nixon factor' haunts Clintons

Mr Clinton has not decided | directly tackle the crisis of

Martin Walker

HE third-party candidate, Ross Perot, this week put into words what must be haunting the

Clinton campaign: the pros-pect that American voters may relive the grim experience of a re-elected but scandal-plagued president being hounded from office. "Is it responsible and in the best interests of our country to elect a president who has the next two years of his life facing Watergate-Little Rock.

37", Mr Perot asked a cam-paign audience in Virginia. Bill Clinton had "huge moral, ethical and criminal problems facing him". In the past week, the Clinton team has darkened its already shady reputation. It has stonewalled a

dubious donations from

original Whitewater prop-erty investment in Arkan-sas. These inquiries have teadily widened.

Mr Starr is investigating whether there was a White House cover-up of efforts to stall inquiries into Whitewater, and whether they obstructed justice during the police investigation into the apparent suicide of the White House deputy counsel, Vince Foster, a law partner of Mrs Clinton in

He is also studying "Travelgate" — the decision to dismiss the entire White House travel office staff and replace them with a distant cousin of Mr Clinton. Inside the White House, this is viewed with the most judge's demand to bring a alarm, since Hillary Clinton senior fundraiser to court | told the first federal investigation that she had nothing to answer questions about

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threat is the investigation by the independent coun-sel, Kenneth Starr, into the

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Other evidence has emerged rich Asians. On a technicality, it has refused to comply to suggest she may have with the legal regulation to publish lists of donors for been perilously econ with the truth. the latest reporting period. Mr Clinton is the first Even if formal indictments against the White House inner circle never president since Richard materialise from the Starr

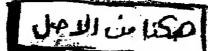
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Nixon in 1972 to look for-ward to re-election while scandal swirls around him, inquiry, Whitewater could remain a war of attrition his wife and his closest aides. His Whitewater busiagainst the Clintons. If the **Republicans** retain control ness partners, his assistant attorney-general and his the congressional commitattorney-general and his the congressional commit-successor as governor of tee investigations will start Arkansas have all been sen-tenced to prison terms. Is second term as they have The most immediate bled the first.



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Junius Richard Jayawardene

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Leader who roused a Tiger

UNIUS Richard Jayawardene, who has died at the age of 90, was prime minister of Sri Lanka from 1977 to 1978, and presi-dent from 1978 to 1988, During his term of office the Tamil separatist movement devel-oped from sporadic acts of violence into a full-scale civil war. Yet Jayawardene was a devout Buddhist who was also deeply influenced by the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi, including nonviolence.

To meet, he was always quietly spoken, anxious to lisduredy spoken, anknows to lis-ten, willing to accept mistakes — a man of great charm with a delightful sense of humour. He claimed to be a man of peace, with a genuine respect for democracy, and he was very persuasive. Yet he humad the first counter in turned the first country in south Asia to enjoy full adult suffrage into a virtual one-party state, and came to be-lieve the only solution to the Tamil problem was a military one. I could not and can not believe he was hypocritical, but I never understood how he lived with the differences between his personal beliefs and his public actions. He,

was to me, a paradox. Born into the highest eche-lons of what was then a very stratified society Jayawar-dene attended the Law School at Colombo University, but chose politics rather than law as a career. Before Independence he rose rapidly in the Ceylon National Congress. After Independence he joined the new United National Party, whose aim was to represent moderate opinion and to bring about a

consensus between the three main communities — the Tamils, the Sinbalese Buddhists, and the Christians. When the UNP was defeated for the first time in the 1956

election the leader John Ko-telawala lost interest in poli-tics. Jayawardene didn't take over the party leadership but he was responsible for rebuilding the party. During that period tension

arose between the majority Sinhalese Buddhist community and the Tamils over lan-Jayawardene organised the opposition to a pact between the prime minister and the Tamils' leader, heading a march to Kandy, capital of the former Sinhalese kings and a city sacred to Buddhists,

In this way he signified that

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Jayawardene . . . he called out the army and let loose his party stormtroopers

of federalism, which has been modify export, he devalued a new city and perliament on the stumbling block to any the rupee, scrapped controls the outskirts of Colombo. Naming the city Jayawarden problem. Jayawardene remained the

United National Party's chief pore of south Asia. Jayawar-strategist both in and out of dene also launched grandiose office but he only became the schemes to develop the econo-

turn Sri Lanka into the Singaiect any easier to sell to the electorate. Within three years of his

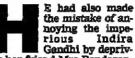
PHOTOGRAPH: JOHN REARDON the same time he had made

doubly sure of his position by ensuring that he could not lose his majority in parliament by reforms in the electoral laws and a new law on defections But unfortunately Javawar-

and the next day when the bodies were brought back to Colombo to be cremated Tamil property was attacked. Although Jayawardene could see the flames of the houses the rioters had set on fire from his residence he did their country. That was taken as an encouragement to riot and the violence erupted

Sinhalese press was outraged

again on what has come to be known as Black Friday. Whether Jayawardene mis-handled the crisis from the moment he agreed to the bodies being brought back to Colombo or whether he wanted to encourage violence against the Tamils will neve be known. All that can be said is when the riots broke out they seemed remarkably orga-nised. Rioters had electoral rolls to identify the houses of Tamils.



ing her friend Mrs Bandaranaike of her right to function as a politician. Gandhi took the 1983 riots as an excuse to insist on a role in protecting Sri Lankan Tamils. India has a large Tamil population too and she said they were de-manding action. At the same time she allowed the Tamil Tigers bases in India and supplied them with some of their arms and equipment. Jayawardene opted for a

military solution but never had any chance of success The ill-disciplined Sri Lankan army was no match for the Tamil Tigers, probably the best organised separatist fighters in the world. Eventu-ally in 1987 Jayawardene, no friend of India, had to accept the humiliation of allowing the Indian army to take charge of the war against the tionary Force in Belgium he escaped again at the Fall of France and was then sent to Cairo and attached to the

Tamil Tigers. The next year he meekly accepted the limitation of two Eighth Army. He was in the terms imposed by the constitution he had introduced. retired, and from then on

William Forrest

William Forrest: coded scoop went begging E HAMILTON WEST

not impose curfew for more than 24 hours and even then it was not strictly enforced. It was four days before the preswas not strictly enforced. if was four days before the pres-ident spoke on television and radio, and them he justified the killing of Tamils and the burning and looting of their property by saying it was a natural reaction by the Sri Lankans to attempts to divide

required reading at the For-eign Office. His was one of the first voices to warn of the real objectives of the Fascist scourge in the mid-1930s. After the war, Forrest's reading of the Russian mind was so pene-trating that from his interpre-tation of a Pravda leader he provided the News Chronicle

in 1953 with a splash anticipat-ing the fall of Lavrenti Beria, the Georgian head of the dreaded NKVD, forerunner of the KGB, the day before Sta-lin's secret police chief was executed as "an Imperialist agent." To have lived through all but a handful of years of the

whole of the 20th century is one thing; in Forrest's case his career encapsulated all its history. He knew many of the main contenders of the Russian Revolution and during the Spanish Civil War no cor-respondent was closer to the

Republican government of Negrin. The second world war saw him in Poland when war broke out and he watched the first bombs of the conflict fall on Warsaw. He got out through the Balkans after sev-eral hazardous encounters. Next with the British Expedi-

WW has died aged 94, was an outstanding journalist of deep integrity. His most perceptive work was done as diplomatic correspondent of the News als, particularly during the Spanish Civil War, were required reading at the For-eign Office. went in search of work. Three jobs were on offer; one at 10s [50p] a week, another at 10s [50p] a week, another at 7s 6d, and the one he took at his mother's bidding of 5s 9d as tea-boy at the Glasgow Herald. This was in 1917 when the carnage on the Somme had left the editorial staff depleted. Came the day when an emer-gency arose and the editor asked him: "Can you write?" He could and not only in English; in the self-improving mores of that time he had Latin and French. In the next 10 years at the Herald he taught himself a working knowledge of Russian, Greek, Hebrew, German and Arabic.

ORREST came to Lon-don in 1927 where the Daily Express and its redoubtable editor

Christiansen saw Forrest's promise. Before long, because of his command of languages he was on its foreign staff and assigned to Geneva for the many disarmament impasses. On the outbreak of the Franco rising he went to Ma-drid and found ingenious methods of getting his des-patches past the censor. On the occasion of Negrin's flight with his government to Ali-cante in March, 1939, however, his clever code was not read by the Express subs and one of the biggest scoops of the war went begging.

siege of Tobruk and at the battle of El Alamein. During the advance into Tunisia he scrupulously avoided any in-volvement in politics. It was severly wounded in a sioned plea for medical help for the Republicans to a House



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It's time to give them all a free vote

Even Mr Howard would gain

HIS HANDS are up, but he's still not thrown away all his guns. Hence he's in trouble with cabinet colleagues. his party and the country. Michael Howard, the personification of populism, is not just personally unpopular but is dragging his party down. So much for his aspirations of leading the Conservatives when Major goes. Yesterday's Mori poll in the Times showed law 'n' order had for the first time become top of the public's list of most important issues -- with the Labour lead in public confidence in what was once such a strong vote-winning Tory issue rising dramatically. Last month's Gallup showed Labour a cool nine points ahead of the Conservatives in public confidence in handling crime. Yesterday's Mori showed Labour 25 points (45 to 20 per cent) ahead in tackling violence, banning combat knives and promoting good citizenship. This would have seemed beyond Labour's wildest dreams even a few years ago.

Michael Howard take a bow. Rarely can a politician have lost so much ground. Perhaps, for once, the Conservative commentator William Rees-Mogg was right when he described Howard as "a very political home secretary who is rather bad at politics". Mr Howard's attempts to wrong-foot Labour through tricky parliamentary procedures over a record five law-'n' order bills in this session have disastrously -- and deservedly - back-fired. The public was rightly outraged by the Home Secretary's initial move to leave the paedophile and stalking bills to private members' measures and they are equally unimpressed by his procrastination over knife controls. But most serious of all has been his refusal to ban all handguns. Yesterday's publication of his Firearms (Amendment) Bill left the Conservative party divided into three (a rightwing too tough faction, a liberal too soft, and an indeterminate okay group) but with the vast majority of the public united in opposition.

Mr Howard's Bill would greatly strengthen firearms controls requiring all 160,000 handguns over .22 calibre to be handed in to the police and introducing tougher rules on gun sales, certification, ammunition and club security. No one would be allowed to hold a handgun at home. Special permits would be required to move them from a club to another sporting site. But the Dunblane Snowdrop campaign is right to insist that this is not enough. Some 40,000 pistols would still exist and this number would grow as gun-owners received up to £50 million in compensation for the handguns they had handed in. A .22 calibre gun would still be capable of repeating the massacre of 16 children which occurred in Dunblane. Remember, the guns at both Dunblane and

School in a harsh spotlight

they made rude gestures and comments behind their backs, IEN I was in the Ridings school on Monday it was these were filmed and they were able to watch themselves creaking under on television when they got the strain but still functionhome. Then a 60 foot cantry ing. It did not even bear the was brought to the front of the signs of breakdown that I have seen in some others. The school and a camera filmed through windows all over the walls were clean, the building was not vandalised, the pupils school and in the playground. It is said now that the inspecwent into lessons in a fairly tors observed some of the worst behaviour they have quiet and orderly way. During the two days of inever seen. Who can really have been surprised? After 16 years as a National Union of spection it started to collapse Now it has done so com-Now it has done so com-pletely. During the week dozens of journalists have camped outside the front en-trance, which is only a couple Teachers local secretary in a fairly torbulent area, I have seen similar effects from media concentration before, yards from the road, as are some of the classrooms. Cammost notably at Drummond Middle School in the Honeyeras have filmed through the windows. Pupils going into ford era. The traums done will not be recovered from for school in the morning and st lunchtime have been accosted When I met the NUT memby journalists. Some say they have been given money for their stories. They were en-couraged by the attention

bers at the school on Monday, they were very sceptical of the National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of given to them to stay outside while they should have been Women Teachers' claims of 60 unteachable pupils. NUT members in the school were came out to bring them in and

The other way HREE cheers for Larry El-liott's article (Back to the 1950s, October 31) for present-ing an alternative philosophi-cal and policy agenda to the present tendency for all major political parties to revert to socially authoritarian ideas and policies of the past. The present hysteria about moral-

in lessons. When teachers

ity and the scapegoating of teachers for all the ills of socierv is merely a smoke screet to divert attention away from the real causes of the social crisis facing millions of

Unemployment, poverty, insecrity, massive cuts in public expenditure, transfer of wealth from the poor to the rich, the list is endless. It is understandable that the Conservatives would want to promote this view: after 17 years of Tory rule there is no one left to blame, so a "decline" in morality is a good propa-ganda tool. But it is unforgivable for

the leadership of the Labour Party to subscribe to such a tionary view as demon strated by many of their recent policy pronounce-ments. We need more articles of this kind to try and stimu-late a proper debate. Peter Hall. 10 Windsor Drive.

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ment by pupils who cannot cope with being in a large mainstream class but are kept there. I have been in-Bradford in two recent cases where we balloted members

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cer describes as corrupt prac-

tice to a TV programme. All these examples happened recently at different locations

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When a Pc blows the whistle

HILE acknowledging the contents of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Con-stabulary Annual Report (Bullying in the police

easing", October 30) and the need to improve within the police service our conduct to each other, can I mention a form of bullying that is seldom brought to public attention, and that is the bullying by senior officers of their junior

colleagues. A constable is threatened with disciplinary action for having the affront to write to his MP: a young constable in his first two years of service is threatened after a national newspaper ran a story of his difficulties on the very low wages for probationer consta-bles; a sergeant threatened with "severe consequences" after mentioning what the offi-

on not teaching pupils who had assaulted staff but had been returned to school by apcircus arrived they were under pressure, but did not feel physically threatened. peals panels. We quite deliber ately did not seek the public-ity for our actions that They wanted more support for the school in terms of strengthened management naming the schools would have brought, because we could see that the schools would be labelled, the pupils apperienced staff brought in to cover for colleagues who were off long-term sick, and the exclusion of some pupils would be labelled, and the who had worked their way through the school's internal prospects of all concerned get-ting to a better future would be diminished rather than endisciplinary procedures. We were in negotiation on these hanced by the media spotlight issues, but our efforts have been overtaken by a different and the consequent posturing of politicians. NUT members experience Ian Murch. NUT Executive member.

all the same difficulties as NASUWT members. Our front line of argument is to press for more resources to deal with them. We will also support members who refuse to accept assault and harassvolved in my own authority of

67 Aireville Road, Frizinghall, Bradford BD9 4HN. CHRIS Woodhead bas missed a golden opportu-nity. He should have taken over the headship of the Ridines School himself. That way he could put his practice where his mouth is for a change. Dennis Ruston

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Howard's law

SimON Hoggart (Sketch, Oc-tober 28) is right to draw attention to Michael Howard's peculiar vowel-movements ("the Llanelli shift") but not quite accurate in his descrip-tion of these phenomena. Rather than turning every-

thing into the letter "i", How-ard inserts an extra "i" into words ending "le". The classic example is "borribill peeplil" --- not, as Hoggart would have it, "hirrible pipple". Beyond dispute is the fact that phonologically, as in juridical mat-ters, the Home Secretary is a law unto himself.

Harry Eyres. 41 Tunstall Road London SW9 8BZ.

THE FIGURES collected by Shelter for the Government's Rough Sleepers Initia-tive need to be treated with ne caution (Ministers un veil 225m plan to aid people sleeping rough, November 1). They say they found 23 people sleeping rough people sleeping rough in Bournemouth. But if the count was done during the week of the Tory Party Conference, is there not a chance that some of those spotted may have been former govern ment ministers, "resting" on the way back to their hotels? Florence Barnes. 90 Schofield Road, Rawtenstall, Lancs BB4 8RP.

Arts and humanities: core business for the critical faculties

AS DEANS of arts and hu-manifies in British uniture an awareness that people are more than merely "fod-der" to be "churned out" by versities and colleges, we write to challenge the find-ings of the survey into graduone system for consumption by another. There is much evidence to suggest that what ate employment (Leading firms spurn arts graduates, October 24). It is difficult to reconcile the view that em-ployers fail to find appropriate abilities in arts graduates are abunces in arts graduates with the opinions expressed to us by many of the compa-nies to whom we speak. The majority of these insist that the kind of skills which, ac-cording to the vector annior. cording to the report, employ-ers seek — the "people skills" of communication, team work and leadership - are just as likely to be found among arts graduates as among those in other disciplines. In teaching the arts and humanites, most universities make explicit to demonstrate precisely those skills which can be transferred readily to the work-force. Indeed assessment is frequently devised with pre-cisely that need in mind. Consequently, we contest strongly the reported view of one of the recruitment compa-nies commissioning the sur-

vey that "... the basic fodder the education system churns Faculty of Arts, out needs to be more employ able for the majority of recruiters". The arts and humanifies develop adaptability and versatility in students. the arts and humanities.

Perils of theatrical digs

OU REALLY should be ashamed of yourself for publishing Richard Gott's outlandish rantings against Yasmina Reza's dazzling play, Art (A Nazi piece of work, October 29). It is not that be makes the mistake of equating the views of one of the characters in the play with those of the author; nor even that he doesn't bother to listen to what that very char-acter has to say in his final, remarkable speech: laziness, inattention and self-righteous ness are not indictable offences. But the bandying around of terms like "Nazi" and "fascist" is another matter: and a moment's thought might lead one to conclude that they might more appropri-ately be applied to the critic who wilfully ignores what is passing in front of his eyes, in order to incluige himself in the scurrilous pleasures of mount-ing a wholly unjustified attack on a Jewish author. Christopher Hampton. (the translator of Art), 2 Kensington Park Gardens, London, W11 3HB.

HERE used to be a charac-ter in Monty Python called Sir Gerald N-barro who, whenever he appeared, got very, very angry until be foamed at the mouth and fell over. After reading his views on Yasmina Reza's play I could only think his mantle has been passed on to Richard Gott

I rather resent being por-trayed as some sort of Nazi collaborator for enjoying the play. I was not, I hope, one of a 'sitcom audience" admiring 'reactionary bile". I was laughing at the verbal interplay between three confused and extremely well-played characters struggling to make ense of a sea-change in their relationship.

Though I am most indebted to Mr Gott for telling me what it was I was laughing at and why I shouldn't have been laughing at it, I can't help wondering which one of us is the Nazi. Michael Palin. 68a Delancey Street, London NW17RY.

is needed in the workplace in particular, and in society in general, is men and women who understand the balance which must be struck be-tween economic efficiency and human values. Producing the ability to reconcile both of these imperatives is the "core business" of the arts and humanities. The members of the Coun-cil of UK Deans in the Arts and Humanities whom we have been able to contract are

absolutely unanimous in their conviction that the article is grossly misleading and damaging to the employment prospects of arts stu-dents past and present. In col-laboration with the Council for Industry and Higer Educa-tion, we are funding a survey. "humanities students and the world of work" which will, we are confident, offer an alter-native view to that expressed in your article. Michael Worton.

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A Country Diary

Britain's other massacre, Hungerford, were all legally registered.

The Home Secretary is silly to talk of a total ban driving current handgun owners underground - the police already have the names and addresses of every licenced handgun owner and will know who has not handed in their weapons. In any case, his Bill already includes a 10-year sentence for possessing an unlicenced handgun. A total ban on handguns would still allow sports enthusiasts to go to rifle or shotgun clubs if they want to. It would of course curtail their previous freedom but which is more important: the right to join a handgun club or the need to protect the public and curb Britain's growing gun culture? A handgun ban means there would be fewer weapons around to fall into illegal hands. That must be a plus.

There is a more obvious reason why the Home Secretary is being short-sighted in not permitting Parliament a free vote on the issue. He had hoped to fight the coming election on Labour being soft on crime. Yet for all his hardline rhetoric, Michael Howard remains the minister who is resisting proper controls over knives and handguns. No wonder Labour is smiling. The Ulster Unionists yesterday said they would not join Labour and the Liberal Democrats in supporting a total ban but they may still abstain on such an amendment which has already been promised by a Tory backbencher. Mr Howard faces the worst of all possible positions: persisting with his partial ban but losing it in an ignominious parliamentary reverse. Why doesn't he make a virtue of his political plight by covering up a surrender with a magnanimous offer of a free vote. He'll never be a hero, but he could make himself less of a villain.

Mission impossible

No one is beyond recall

IT WOULD be tempting to conclude from some of this week's events - one school shut because of a single disruptive pupil and another where rioting continued even after it had been closed - that the underlying fabric of society was being torn apart. When stories like this dominate the newspapers and television news it is all too easy to fall into the trap of thinking that human nature is much worse than it is and that it is impossible to reform people who have fallen so low. In such unhappy circumstances it is worth reminding ourselves that the media, almost inevitably, reports bad news more frequently than it does good news. A train that crashes is news, one that arrives on time is not. (Well. perhaps that's a bad example but you know what we mean).

In an attempt to redress the balance it may be worth quoting a current example where one man, using the latest physical, sporting and counselling techniques. has attempted to reconstruct a successful team from what might appear at first sight to be unpromising material: two alleged wife batterers, two alcoholics, two former jailbirds, one who broke someone's nose, someone else who dropped his trousers, another who posed naked, yet another who bedded an MPs daughter plus two team mates who were involved in a brawl with each other. Not to mention the posse that ran amok in a night club before rioting in a plane on the way back from a controversial tour in the Far-east. If Glenn Hoddle can turn this lot - complete with Paul Gascoigne under seemingly daily reconstruction - into decent citizens who can also win football matches (especially next week's game against Georgia) then he will deserve a very special prize. For rehabilitating rehabilitation.



AS the election approa our series Another Manife will continue to give readers a chance to inject constructive ideas into political debate. Nearer the election, a panel will judge those ideas which most deserve to be taken up by our political leaders.

NITIALLY, cannabis should be legalised totally and market forces should be llowed to supply it in the way they do other commodities-alcohol, tobacco, chocolate. Next should come a change in the law so that, while still illegal, addictive drugs such as heroin, cocaine and amhetamine can be prescribed by doctors and dispensed by chemists, as happened in the

sixties. The effect would be an immediate lessening of crimes associated with addicts' need

reduction in demand for the contraband and impure variety. Profits for importers and hers would plummet and these drugs would lose their appeal to criminals. Trafficking would diminish while customs and police could concentrate on the remaining illegal routes, their seizures being recycled into pure dispensed medicine to addicts who could at the same time be advised and helped. Less on the streets means

A leaf from the market forces book

less new addicts and we should see at last a reduction of the spread of what is truly an illness. P Simmons.

AGREE with Jeff Norton (October 19) and Stan Rose thal (October 26) that we need to reduce the working week. It is absurd to have millions of people unemployed or working very few hours while others work far longer hours than they wish to, for fear of losing their job if they complain.

One strategy to reduce this

problem would be to make all new public sector jobs be for four days per week instead of five. Wages would be reduced but by less than one fifth, because the Government would save money in reduced social security payments. This is only a small step towards sharing out work and income more equitably, but public spending would not be ineased and no one take a cut In income because it only applies to new jobs. Richard Mountford. 76 Springfield Road.

Kings Heath, Birmingham B14 7DY.

A STATE scheme to enable retirement pensioners to realise the capital repre-sented in an owner-occupied home would be of immense relief to tens of thousands of people with inadequate retire ment income, and should be made available to all those over 65 whose household in-

come is less than 75 per cent of national average earnings and whose savings have shrunk to an amount equivalent to that

port entitlement. Properties should be purchased at market value by local authorities supported by central government funding, if necessary, and the vendor given the choice to remain as a secure tenant at a fair rent, or seek a transfer to more appropriate local authority or housing association accommodation. Access to this capital would relieve many pensioners of living in homes they can no longer maintain or heat ade-quately. In times when coping with cleaning and other household chores presents problems, the scheme would enable pensioners without ac-cess to free home care services to enlist paid help. Beryl Urquhart OBE. 28 Estuary Park, Combwich, Bridgwater, Somerset TA5 2QP.

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MACHYNLLETH: I write this on a wet and windy day that is emphatically not butterfly ather, yet butterflies insist on flitting in and out of my mind. I see vividly the emerald of green bairstreaks taking the April sunlight on their tiny wings; a fine pageantry of painted ladies crowding into the garden for weeks on end; purple hairstreaks dancing over the cak-tops in July; dark-green fritillaries racing along the slopes above the sea cliffs. The reason for my unseasonable preoccupation with butterflies just now is simple. I have before me a splendid soft-back book called Butterflies Of Gwynedd, written by a team of butterfly enthusiasts. Years of research have gone into this study of the butterflies of the old counties of Anglesey. Caernarfon and Merioneth and some very interesting facts are revealed about the ups and downs of butterfly life. Take the common blue for example. In May, 1990, it was "so numerous on one part of

Newborough Warren that the creeping willow looked as though it was covered with blue flowers." Yet in 1995 there were none at all. That was a typical short-term butterfly fluctuation but it is the long-term changes that are really significant, and these are shown in the 90 distribu-tion maps with which the book ends. The main body of the text reports on every north-west Wales butterfly from the abundant to the ultra-rare and even one probable hoar. There is also information relevant to the butterflies of all areas of Britain. The photographs of butterflies and habitats are brilliant. So are the sections on history, climate, food plants and conservation. Edited by butterfly-expert Paul Whalley, this very enjoyable and instructive book costs £9.50, all proceeds going to the North Wales Wildlife Trust. Or you can get it by post by sending £10.50 to North Wales Wildlife Trust, 376 High Street, Bangor, Gwynedd LL57 1YE.

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Martians on the doorstep, roughly speaking

Mark Lawson

UST as many newswith the young" indicating padeophilia and so on — the tourist guidebook has always watched its language. Only

after several turgid excursions does the traveller learn that, particularly in the tempera-mentally inoffensive American publications, "not always fully appreciated on a first visit" describes the eyesone centre of Europe, while "a place of understated charms" is a rubbish tip with people living on it. Accordingly, the Rough Guide series, started by an Australian but edited from London, vowed to tell the truth. If a town was a place

where outsiders only stayed overnight if they'd been thrown in jail by the notoriously corrupt police force, the

American guidebook might | bone-chilling, gui-rotting Brit-call a "charming native ver- | ain is at least pretty germ-free: call a "charming native ver-nacular expression" about what you should and should not do on your doorstep, the Rough Guide has turned its at-tention to the vistas outside the office window. The new Rough Guide To Britain, published this week, may dampen any celebrations following this week's declaration by Newsweek magazine that Lon-don is "the world's coollest capital" (and they didn't mean the morthant)

capital "(and they aight t mean the weather). For the compilers of the Rough Guide, Britain is the cruellest place. The tourist hopefully opening this 1,019 page guide at the Introduction may well be tempted to turn moved and beat back to the round and head back to the airport. "In many ways," we read, "Britain is a declining country. Furthermore, it has a less than brilllant climate, a laughable indigenous cuisine, and an attitude to social class that is ingrained with the hab-its of feudalism."

With an attitude to history ingrained with the habits of political correctness, the book's editors cheerfully redistribute the British Isles in a footnote to the Introduction, which advises that Northern Ireland can be found, reunited with the South on the book-shelf at least, in the Rough Guide To Ireland.

suides would say so. Then comes the only really Now, ignoring what an good news. Snobbery-ridden.

"There are no particular health risks in Britain, though, if you're visiting Scot-land, you should be prepared to encounter the midge." (How the editors must regret that their deadlines denied them a Next is the section on law and order. "Although the tra-ditional image of the British Bobby' has become increasingly tarnished by stories of

corruption, racism and crooked dealings..." Hey, cab-driver, turn back for the airport, willya? "... the police continue to be approachable and helpful." As you were. friendly representative of the Metropolitan Police, the travellers arrive at the railway station: "Due to a lack of investment and the Government's obsession with privati-

sation, rail travel in Britain has been in decline over the past decade."

To occupy the implied delay, our tourists perhaps purchase a newspaper. "the pernicious Sun, the aleaziest occupant of the Murdoch stable; its chief rivals in the sex and scandal stakes are the Daily Star and

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the self-consciously ridiculous Daily Sport... the middle-hrow daily tabloids — the Daily Mail and Daily Express - are uniformly Tory-biased

and show a depressing preoc-cupation with the royal family and TV celebrities." The privatised train still delayed? How about a bite to eat: "Pork pies, an unaccountably popular English snack made of compressed balls of meat and gristle encased in wobbly jelly and thick pastry." (De spite this libel on good utchers, readers are spared a description of the exact con-tents of black pudding, here ammarised only as "a kind of sausage.")

Som may find the volume's persistent peevishness in stark contrast to, for instance, the Rough Guide To Cyprus's lean-over-backwards analysis of the island's turmoils ("How-Perhaps directed by a of the island's turmoils ("How-crooked and racist but ever, calm now reigna.") Or, indeed, the sunny beginning of the West Africa edition which - prepatory to dealing with 17 countries which include Nige ris, Liberia and sundry other dictatorships and human rights abusers - advises the reader, in the paragraph ex-actly equivalent to that which begins the Britain volume "The physical and cultural di-versity of West Africa would be hard to exaggerate ... you'll encounter a a degree o good humour, vitality and ess which can make the

insularity of Western cultures seem absurd." British liberals - who have

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China, Burma, Singapore or Turkey — find themselves faced with an unexpected new dilemma. Is it morally permis-sable to go on living in Brit. Health Service. Yet, even now, ain? How can we be willing to reside in this economic bas-ket-case, with its repressive and unpopular government,

bent police force, crude and tasteless food, sexual inhibition and rigid social struc-Reading the Rough Guide to

Britain is a disorientating experience. It would be tempting to say that it resembles British life as viewed by a Martian. But a Martian could describe everything, while not under-standing what it meant; the Rough Guide's editors under-stand what everything means, but are incapable of describing it. Faced with their own nation, they substitute the instinctive awe of the traveller for the reflex ire of the restdent. And so Britain - a no-tably stable, prosperous and free democracy - comes out

This touches on the biggar question of the impact of political policy and cultural climate on everyday existence, not just for a tourist but for a citizen. The Rough Guide To Britain contains no great indi-vidual untruth about the recent history or present con-dition of Britain and yet the

Britain is, overall, a pork pie - and here I am referring to the quaint rhyming language of the capital rather than the agonised about whether it is book completely misrepre- of the capital rather than the ethically justifiable to visit sants the experience of being laughable indigenous cuisine.

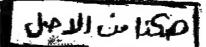
Health Service. Yet, even now, Britain is probably the best place in which a tourist could choose to have a heart attack

in the street. Another example of this disparity between legislation and life is Italy. This is perhaps the country where a majority of the British political classes both the parliamentarians and

the media who service them — currently choose to holiday. Yet Italy is a political nuthouse and a den of corruption. This culture, though, has no impact on these visitors' sum-

mer weeks of gnocchi, barolo and frescoes. The point is not that they should be morally boycotting the nation as a des tination but that the whole assumption of their daily work - that politics is fundamentally important — is annually disproved by their vacations. Always nervous of patrio-

sounding like a bellhole. tism and nationalism, I found myself roused to a defensive flag-waving — or, anyway, fluttering — by the Rough Guide's assault on my homeland. For all the accuracy of some of its rants and laments, the book's presentation of



Honesty a casualty in the rush for union

Commentary Martin Woollacott

...................... GERMAN magazine cover in 1990 showed Helmut Kohl at the wheel of a speeding racing car, with Lothar de Maziere, the East German leader, crouched petrified in the passenger seat. Kohl is driving breakneck toward a finish line called unification. Substitute a less petrified Chirac for de Maziere, some would say, and the picture is the same in 1996, with the whole of Europe being pulled along behind the Chancellor. European monetary union is not being approached in the careful and studied manner that Germans, above all, have Waigel, his Finance Minister, always said was necessary. Denis Healey's criticisms of in emergency parliamentary debate, that the 1997 deficit will be worse than previously

the German Chancellor

underline how much all Euro-peans are dependent on this unpredictable and intuitive try's most respected econo-

man. In 1989 and 1990 he de-termined that the objective of ing to be able to meet the eco-German unification should nomic criteria laid down for overide all other consider-ations, including the doubts monetary union.

But the government waves aside such difficulties: come of allies, the anxieties of the West German central bank, and the worries of West Gerwhat may, Germany will be ready, is the word from the Chancellor's office. Mean-while, Germans watch disconman citizens. Slow down to take account of these, he im-plied, and the prize might be solately as their government pares the welfare state and as management and unions conlost. The problems, whatever they might be, could be dealt with afterwards. front each other on wages and

Now, in 1996, his attitude is the same. The objective of benefits. benefits. Between West and East Germany a divide yawns. The two Germanies resent each other and, in spite of the vast amounts of money poured in, some of it European as well as German, the East's economy still faitures. The latest opinion poll shows the Social Demo. European union justifies breaking or at least bending the rules. Obstacles are there the rules. Obstacles are there to be overcome, even those raised by conditions that he himself set at an earlier stage. Kohl chose to spend K-Day — on Thursday be became the longest serving Chancellor since Bismarck — in Japan. The trip was arranged some time ago but, as it happens, it helps him distance himself from the difficulties within October 1994 from the difficulties within his coalition government, from the admission of Theo

poll shows the Social Demo-crats ahead of the Christian Democrats for the first time since before the elections of Yet the gloominess of the public mood, and the doubts about monetary union so con-sistently reflected in polls

since that was done, it can hardly be a surprise that the former East Germany has the the countries in Eastern

But the question raised by Healey and others is whether the hell-for-leather approach

that worked for German unishould not mislead. Germans fication can work, on a vastly may be reluctant to give up the Mark, but they regard monetary union as inevitable, and since it has to come, they larger scale, for Europe. It is not only a question of practicability but of democracy and of consent across a wider Europe. More and more, the trust Kohl more than any other possible leader to get German government seems to

them though it. When the op- | think just in terms of those position tried to take advan- | who will be inside the first who will be inside the first tage of popular doubts about monetary union last year, it came a cropper. Trust in Kohl phase of monetary union. It is increasingly uninterested in ante a cropper. Trust in Kohl and in a party which is seen as the manager and facilitator of German economic success over the ware seems also uninterested in trying to think through, or German economic success over the years outweighed any other factor. Again, the failures in the East have to be seen in context. If the former ahead of time, mechanisms to deal with the social and economic disruptions that a East Germany thinks itself a single currency will cause, as some regions and countries "colony" now, how much more that would have been the case had Kohl not offered advance and others decline. There is apparent a philosothe generous currency deal, phy that everything can be left until afterwards. That, the high wage rates and the large subsidies which he did, and which, not incidentally, among other things, is likely to be interpreted as meaning gave him a smashing victory in the first elections? And, that Germany and France will, in essence, make key decisions alone, and will negotiate bilaterally with countries

who cannot or do not wish to worst economic record of all join the first time round. The readiness of the Ger-Europe. They can offer cost | man government to abridge

Other countries will be tempted to follow France in juggling their books

differentials which Eastern | and modify conditions earlier Germany cannot. Soomer or presented as critically impor-later the vast investment in tant has encouraged others to

the East will begin to pay off, and then the complaints will do the same. The French, notoriously, have met Maas-tricht conditions by counting dwindle away. Kohl's instincts on East as income money paid over for their government assum-Germany were right, even if the price is still being paid. ing pension obligations. This is a move which gives credit

now for future debt, at a time when the unfunded pensions obligations of European gov-eruments are already aweomely large. Yet Brussels has approved it, for Brussels too is in the grip of the political impera-tive. No official or commis-

sioner wants to stand in the

Other countries, as Lord Heatheir books. There are broader doubts about the wisdom of mone-tary union as conceived by politicians dedicated to old concepts of economic growth and believing that growth, as

it was experienced in the glory days of the European Community, can be restored by completing the single market with a single currency, and by cutting the labour costs of European industry and the welfare costs of European governments. The dangers of this process are al-ready abundantly clear. For a

painful cuts, which in turn lead to only small further "improvements". Perhaps Europeans will only be ready to consider more fundamental changes when the project of monetary union has been achieved and has demonstra bly not delivered what was promised in terms of prosper-ity, as it almost certainly cannot do, whatever its other advantages. In the meantime what is worrying about the new "flexibility" in Germany and France is not that the strict conditions on conver-gence are so wonderful — they are in fact socially damaging — but that standards of honesty are being abandoned, as well as the traditions of deep administrative prepara-tion for change that should animate European civil

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SRAEL'S men on horse-back are not about to storm the Knesset, but they do want a settle-ment more than their

in stony silence as he laid a versed in Torah than technolwreath on her husband's ogy, and more likely to obey their rabbi than their platoon

Liberal Israelis now admit commander that they fell victim to a dan-gerous illusion, ignoring the Rabin and his generals got on famously well, but under Netanyahu they have been growing strength of the right, of fundamentalist intolerance frozen out. The security ser-vices let it be known that they and mystical religion, bewere not consulted about the opening of the Jerusalem tuncause in the two honeymoon years between Oslo and the assassination, their world nel — the subtext being that if

changed so dramatically for the better: the Rabin-Arafat make peace, you should not squander it. bandshake was that rare event — a photo-opportunity that really meant something. It represented an historic reconciliation, and if - as Arafat's Palestinian critics charged - it meant surrender

to Israel's terms, humiliating recognition that Zionism had won, then it was one which, government. Shahak and his staff know, as Rabin knew, that the cancer of occupation viewed dynamically, as a prowas eating into their own cess, promised more than they could ever hope to society, that chasing Palestin-ian children through the alchieve by violence. And it was genuine: Rabin's leys of Nablus and Gaza was wearing down the motivation of Israeli conscripts. Soon conversion was not a tactical

shift, a ploy to trap the Palesthey could be there again, but tinians in bantustans. True, the terms of Oslo were too this time fighting an armed revolt that will make the intilimited and its benefits for fada look tame. In 1988, at the Palestinians too few. But the height of the uprising, Rabin called on his men to head

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Martin Kettle

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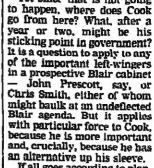
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way of monetary union, and Cook's decisions are undoubtedly being made that ought not, on strict principle, to be made. ley says, will be tempted to follow France in juggling broth

high social price, a small return in competitiveness is achieved, leading on to de-mands for deeper, even more

************************ **R**OBIN COOK is probably the most generally admired politician in Britain today. Only Tony Blair runs him close, but Blair has begun to become a politician who is respected rather than admired. Cook, by contrast, is loved by his own side, liked by the Liberal Democrats and — perhaps the ultimate accolade — feared rotten by the Conservatives. Cook's stock has never been rotten by the Conservatives. Cook's stock has never been higher. Much of it rests on the way he attacked the govern-ment over the Scott inquiry report in February. His per-formances were a reminder that parliamentary skills, which he possesses in abunwhich he possesses in abun-dance, still remain the surest foundation of a politician's

fectly positioned to become his party's leader in the event of the unthinkable (and largely unthought about) Scotch Labour defeat next spring. Cook's old rival Gordon Brown may have a more realistic chance (which he still covets) of succeeding Blair if Labour wins. But if Labour loses, Cook already has all the exits covered. He would be unbeatable in 1997. Yet since that is not going



an alternative up his sleeve. If all goes according to plan, a Scottish parliament with tax-raising powers will begin sitting in 2000. It will have been elected in the spring of 1999, following the passing of the necessary devolution bill and the earlier referendum. Scottish Westminster MPs will be allowed to stand for the Scottish parliament, but they will only be allowed to retain a dual mandate until the following UK general elec-tion. After that, they must choose one or the other. In practice, therefore, a Scottish practice, therefore, a Scottish Westminster MP who stands for the Scottish parliament will be giving notice that he or she intends to stand down from Westminster at the gen-eral election in 2001 or 2002.

Cook has never hidden the possibility that he is tempted career and the principal building block of a party's collective confidence. Cook makes Labour walk tail, the way Heselfine does with the Tories, and his handling of Scott is still credit is the to opt for Scotland. Unlike George Robertson, Gordon Brown and (slightly less clearly) Donald Dewar, Cook is the only one of the four Scott is still credit in the senior Labour Scots who gives the impression that he Yet Cook is also the cat that might be genuinely tempted walks by itself. As shadow to become the first Chief Min-ister of a devolved Scotland. foreign secretary he has been distanced from some of the tough choices with which Blair and Gordon Brown have But that would mean his giv-ing notice to quit in only a couple of years time. And that been compelled to grapple. As in turn would mean thinking chair of Labour's policy forum he has had a limited pretty seriously about it now

permit to speak his mind on issues of his own selection. Without pushing too hard, but pushing nonetheless. VEN in Scotland, and certainly in England, people underestimate the transformation which de-Cook has come to be seen by volution would bring to our collective politics. Yet think only a little, and it is possible to see a Cook-led Scotland dian of the party's conscience. Before the party conference he made a plea on behalf of the poor which, even if it did changing the terms of politi-cal life not merely north of not merit the hype that was applied to it, was universally the border but south of it too. In 10 years time Scotland may be represented by fewer MPs at Westminster, but the bulk and rightly seen as cautionary. A week ago he marked his doubts about early entry of them could be from a more nationalist Scottish Labour into the European single currency. Cook has always been one Party, whose role at Westminster would be as wheelers and of the greenest of senior dealers for Scotland. With Labour politicians, and he renewed his credentials in a Scotland as Britain's Catalonia. Cook could become our Jordi Pujol. King Robin of Nexus fringe lecture at Blackpool. Though he is quieter Scotland, kingmaker Robin in



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Tension yesterday in Hebron - scene of the next flashpoint in the deadly West Bank drama PHOTOGRAPH GREG MARKANCH

A cancer at the heart of Israel

The candle-lit vigils and the car-stickers commemorating the assassination of Yitzhak Rabin are moving symbols of widespread grief, lan Black writes, but they mask the hard, political truth: that the country is once again on the edge of the abyss of civil war - or worse

Rabin Square, that stark concrete expanse in front of Tel Aviv town hall, and tonight it will be lit by thousands of candles flickering in memory of the leader who promised Israel a better future and died with a

countrymen will weep at the rally marking a year since his be grieving less for the prime minister with the gravelly voice than for a vision that has gone, and looks as if it cannot be restored.

Rabin's family commeno-rated the murder last Thursday — the Hebrew date of his death — in a grim, introspec-tive ceremony at his Jerusa-lem graveside, though most of the Israelis who mourn him and what he represented will look this evening to that unlovely Tel Aviv square, the site of the killing, to reflect on its meaning, the devastating consequences it has already brought — and those it has yet to bring. It has been a long and pain-

ful year since that shocking Saturday night and, though it may be hard to believe, things-look worse now, far worse even, than they did then. Before November 4, 1995 you could argue with reasonable certainty that under Rabin, certainty that under Raom, the negotiaring process; Bill warrior-turned-peacemaker, the century-long Arab-israeli conflict was winding down. of his own violent fundamen-

result of Amir's action was internal: to produce a deeper understanding of the div-isions that plague Israell sociisions that plague israell soci-ety and cast real doubt over whether democracy can co-exist with a zealous ethnic nationalism. And these twin consequences come together at the next flashpoint in this deadly drama — Hebron. Agreement on an Israeli pullout from the West Bank city, already months behind schedule, could come next OW THEY call it | Now it seems to be winding

up again. And on bad days it is hard to imagine when and how it can ever end. Peace has been postponed, and peace postponed could mean war. In the north there are palpable, nerve angling ten-sions with Syria — recent weeks have seen troop movements, apocalyptic warnings of missile attacks on cities,

ian militants may help them to do so - there is likely to be combat aircraft scrambling on sudden alert. Closer to home, along the twisting bora re-run of last month's vio-lent clashes in Nablus, Ramallah and Gaza, where Arafat's ders between Israel and the disjointed Palestinian enpolicemen, armed under the Oslo terms, turned their guns claves of the West Bank and on the Israelis after the Gaza, bloody confrontations vocative opening of the East Jerusalem tunnel. loom. New military threats are one consequence of what young Yigal Amir achieved

when he fired his pistol at the prime minister's back his divinely-sanctioned goal, he admitted, was to halt the peace process that Rabin began at Oslo and sealed with his iconic handshake with conflict most of the city's small Jewish population was massacred in 1929 during un-Yasser Arafat on the White House lawn.

rest over prayer rights in Je-rusalem. For the other side Amir understood, instinc-tively at least, that in the Middle East, unlike the Euro-pean Union, if you stop cythe last atrocity was more recent - the slaughter of 29 Palestinians by a Jewish gun-man called Baruch Goldstain cling towards your goal you fall. It didn't happen at once, so for a while Rabin could be in February 1994.

Evacuating Hebron is an mourned as the martyr who important test for Rabin's successor, Binyamin "Bibi" died for a peace that would continue. Shimon Pares, his Netanyahu. It will be the first time that the Likud leader canny but less popular suc-Labour predecessor died for Labour predecessor died for -surrender parts of the country occupied in 1967 to Arab rule. The way things day Leah Rabin looked away cessor, vowed to ge on with the negotiating process; Bill

- all hoped it would. It | look it could the first and last didn't. It got stuck. And last month it finally toppled over. But the other important time he orders such a move. One good reason is that it could kill him too. It is far from fanciful to imagine that Bibi, loathed by the left for a glib, soundbite-driven rheto-ric that barely conceals the lack of any coherent strategy, could be the next target of the extreme right: the obsessive security that surrounds him - ironically for a man who made a career out of the pseudo-philosophical study of terrorism — shows the threat

is taken seriously. Netanyahu became prime minister by a whisker: new week (American pressure on both sides is almost irresist-ible) but the 400 Israeli set-tiers who live in the heart of electoral arrangements gave

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him a personal mandate to rule whatever the composi-tion of the coalition he put Hebron — the most fanatical, uncompromising and racist of their kind — have made clear together. But since entering office in May he has become a figure of fun, combining arro-gance with shortsightedness, that they will do all they can to torpedo it. If they succeed — and insulting the Arabs, alienat-ing Israel's élites and fritter-

ing away the dignity of lead-ership in a society that can be vengeful, anti-Arafat Palestincruelly judgmental at the best of times. Netanyahu is part of the problem facing his country,

but he is also a symptom of a deeper paralysis: personally he looks to wider horizons, is mesmarised by the good rela-tions with the United States that allow Israel to punch

above its weight internationally, but at home he is also bound by those who look inwards and backwards, reli-gious fundamentalists and narrow-minded nationalists who are inspired more by Tehran than New York.

Too many Israelis recoiled as they stared into the abyss of civil war: for one Likud minister the assassination was no more than "a slip", an individual aberration that should not be used to tar an entire section of the popula-tion — those who do not accept that Palestinians are as entitled to a state as Israelis are. Last year Bibi called it

and was doing so until Hamas suicide bombers claimed 68 Israeli lives last February and March and did so much to guarantee Netanyahu's victory. Oslo brought real benefits, in inward investment, tourism, international accept ability and diplomatic kudos -normality, in a word - that showed that negotiating aeri-ously with the Palestinians ence will go on. worked wonders, even when the really tough issues — settlements, Jerusalem and

final status — were on hold. Jordan joined Egypt in the circle of peace. And Rabin, with the unshakeable confihood of a short spring war with Syria, though a limited strike by Hafez al-Assad on the Golan front, or a few Scuds loosed off at the Israeli dence of the old soldier. moved towards a deal that would have returned virturear, might galvanise interna-tional efforts to save the ally the entire Golan Heights to Syria. peace that Rabin made War could also bring down

the Netanyahu government But would any new coalition find it easier to deal with the ABIN had offered real change: for a man in his 70s it tough questions about Jerusa was a remarkable lem and the settlements, to crack down on the right-wingtransformation.

Poignantly, his last act in the square that Saturday night was to embrace a young punk rock star, Aviv Gefen, an an-drogynous, unmilitary, distincily un-macho figure who had called on youngsters to

tunity that has slammed shut in the last year? Outside pressure might help. Jacques Chirac's grand-standing visit reminded Ne-tanyahu that Europeans, as avoid the draft - the heresy reflecting the changing priorities of an Israel that was psychologically ready to end the conflict. For Rabin that was the mirror image, on the home front, of his bandshake well as Americans, care about the Middle East, though their leverage is limited. Malcolm Rifkind, due here tomorrow, will not get far with calls to ease restrictions on Palestin-ians. But he should press on with the PLO leader. Security, the old warhorse was saying, meant peace. People genuinely miss him — even if the overall effect of

anyway. Buropean support strengththe candlelit vigils, the sad, jokey bumper stickers and ens Arafat, but Israel only really listens to America After the Gulf War George Bush cajoled Yitzhak Shamir morial albums is sometimes cloying and self-indlu-gent, and masks the tougher political truths that his death exposed. One of them was into attending the Madrid peace conference — the historic start of negotiations be-tween Israel and all its Arab touched on this week by the chief of staff of the Israel enemies. There are no quick fixes now, though in the Defence Forces, the position Rabin held at the hour of longer term a re-elected Bill maximum glory in 1967, be-Clinton could persuade Israe fore the taste of victory went | lis that they need to be saved sour. Major-General Amnon from themselves, that more Shahak warned that the than \$3 billion in annual aid army, once revered as the may not be the best way to do repository of Israel's national it, and that the price of not identity, was becoming a having a settlement with the "punch-bag" for the frustra-tions of politicians. Having a settlement with the Palestinians may be too great to bear. For the moment

Shahak complained that playing the stock exchange or travelling abroad were now though, grieving for Yitzhak Rabin and contemplating their bitter, consuming divnore admired than volunteerisions, Israelis look more ing for the elite army units than ever like their biblical whose ranks are now filled by forebears - a people that religious youngsters, better dwells alone.

> TODAY'S cooryist, Ian Black, is the Guardie informatic editor. He was its Jac ident from 1984 to 1993 and w CONTRA led in the British Pr age of the intilada. He is the author of Israel's Secret Wars, a regular commentator on Widdle Eastern affairs for the BBC and has write

Palestinian bones. Later he views seem unlikely to be recognised that the status quo could not be sustained, and he significantly less radical than they always were in the cold changed. But the brutality remains: in the last few days one West Bank settler has war years. And he remains been charged with beating a 10-year-old Palestinian boy to sentation and political reform, the ideal person (esdeath. Another threw scaldpecially from the Liberal ing tea at a left-wing Israeli MP visiting Hebron. The violead the inter-party talks which went public this week. If it did not seem an aca-demic question, with Labour 28 points ahead in this week's Now winds from the north are casting a new chill. Opin-ion is divided about the likeli-

If you were Cook, how would you prefer to spend the next decade? Ten years of trying hard but probably failing Labour's most up-front sup-porter of proportional repre-and Brown in a Labour Cabinet? Or three years at Westminster as foreign secretary, or perhaps spearheading the Democrat point of view) to radical constitutional pro-lead the inter-party talks gramme, followed by a new adventure in charge of Scotland? A man who has just turned 50 cannot be expected 28 points ahead in this week's Mori poll, one would cer-tainly say that Cook is per-doing just that.



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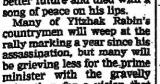
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IMF mission rolls into town to attempt election-eve rescue of loan deal vital to Bulgaria. Julian Borger in Sofia reports

and is faced with the prospect of insolvency. With foreign reserves dwindling fast and hyper-inflation looming, a team from the International Monetary Fund arrived vesterday to salvage a restructuring agreement that went astray over the summer. They have found a Socialist government threatened with a rout in the second round of presidential elections tomorrow, and unable to unite over

economic policy. The IMF is threatening to withhold \$115 million (272 million) in credits because the government of prime minister Zhan Videnov failed to meet a deadline, agreed with the fund in July, for the liquidation of 64 loss-making state enterprises, the privatisation of about 50 more and the "isolation" of others from a domestic banking system which continues to haemorrhage funds.

Without the second tranche e IMIF loan, and the boost

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imports and debt servicing overning Bulgarian Socialist Party (BSP). over the winter. Accomplices in the manage-ment boards of the state Foreign reserves sank in August to \$548 million, a third of their level a year ago, as the Bulgarian National Bank enterprises syphon off resources to private cartels,

attempted to shore up the lev. Interest rates had risen to either as loans which are never repaid or by buying exmore than 300 per cent, choking off private business, but the central bank yesterday disco A large share of these min announced a cut to 180 per cent from Monday. As the lev continues to fall against the dollar, consumer prices are rising by about 20 per cent

Market Economics (IME), each month. "We will try to convince the IMF mission that all planned measures almed at improving financial discipline ... have been fulfilled," Mr Videnov promised this week. The state has formally filed in 199 for insolvency in the case of most of the 64 state enternies. prises, but Philip Harmandclose

liev, editor of the Kapital financial newspaper, suspects this might be a delaying tac-tic. "If the state is the owner of these companies, it doesn't need to go to court. They just want to show they are doing something and then delay the group's own Bulgarian Agri-cultural and Industrial Bank. Eight more banks, sucked dry by similar looting, have been process as long as possible," he said. closed and face liquidatio

In a sign of the high stakes involved, the BAC liquida-tor's car was blown up on Thursday, Haralampi An-The economy is plagued by the treatment of state enterprises and banks as cash res ervoirs by shadowy economic chev, who is also secretary of the commission supervising groups run mostly by former nomenklatura linked to the the presidential elections, es caped injury. "I do not discount the possi

bility that this terrorist act was related to the elections, said Nikolai Valchanov, member of the electoral mmiss

Behind the delays in priva pensively from the cartels and selling to them at a tisation lies the realisation that many of the enterprises up for sale are in such a poor state that closure is virtually appropriated resources is inevitable once subsidies are salted away in foreign bank withdrawn. The unemploy accounts. Rossen Rozenov, an analyst at the Institute for ment rate, now at 10 per cent would jump dramatically, and that would increase the lieves these outflows of un-identified capital are "the mounting pressures within for Mr Videnov to the BSP main reason underlying the resign.

Tomorrow's elections are rise in foreign currency demand and the depreciation of the lev at the end of 1995 and unlikely to change much in the short term. Even if Petar Stoyanov, a reformer, The Orion group of compa-ties, whose managers are close colleagues of Mr Vithe second round - as looks likely - he will inherit an emasculated position. But a big win by Mr Stoyanov may hasten Mr Videnov's fall and denoy, were implicated in one such scandal, which led to the closure of the Bank of Agri-cultural Credit (BAC) and the a realign nt in Bulgarian



Policemen and rescue officers remove the car of Haralampi Anchev, secretary of the Central Election Commission, after the blast on Thursday. The bomb exploded as he parked in Sofia but destroyed just the rear of his Mercedes

Telecom sale hitch threatens IRI Deutsche Bank opts for

being left behind.

To meet the March dead-

John Glover in Milan

HE privatisation of Stet, Italy's telecoms group, originally set for next March, now seems certain to be delayed. Meanwhile, IRI, the giant state holding company of which premier Romano Prodi was twice president and which controls Stet, is aliding fast towards disaster. Preventing IRI from going over the edge is vital. Its collapse would severely damage a banking system that is al-ready grappling with an awesome pile of dud loans. As sole owner of IRI, the trea-

sury would be left to pick up IRI owns many chronic loss-makers that it must

file for bankruptcy. This has left the government with a diby burying the legislation under almost 6,000 amendlemma - the first option is ments probably illegal, the second Meanwhile, the German government is selling Deut-sche Telekom this autumn, unthinkable. Under a 1993 agreement between the Italians and the EU the French are selling France Telecom next spring, leaving Commission, IRI was given the Italians with the risk of

three years to bring its debt down to a "physiological" level by selling assets, mainly its controlling stake in Stet. This is expected to be worth 13-15 trillion lire and would beef up its capital structure, see off the threat of bankruptcy, and reduce its debt. But a regulatory office for

will be met. the sector must first be set up That has left the treasury by act of parliament, where scrabbling to rescue IRI without offending Brussels. On 2038 or it will be impossible to the Prodi government dend th av. th This year IRI is expected to left Rifondazione Commun- court threw out a lifeline by Greens are ready to give rack up losses of nearly three lista, which is opposed to ruling that if the government battle over that, too.

trillion lire (£1.4 billion). This privatisation. The opposition, decides no golden share is will halve its net capital, forc- which claims to favour sell- needed to sell Autostrade and ing it either to recapitalise or ing state firms, has not helped its motorways, then a regulatory office is unnecessary, too. This opened the way to a swift sale, covering IRI's It is also probable that

Brussels will be persuaded to extend the 1993 accord to allow Stet to be sold next No-

That doesn't mean the gov ernment and treasury can line, the Italians need to have break out the spumante just yet. The Green party, which forms part of Prodi's governtheir regulator in place by the end of this month. Though the ment coalition, opposes sell-ing Autostrade unless the opposition now says it will withdraw its amendments, it remains unlikely the deadline government retains a golden share. And, prior to a sale, parliament must extend Autostrade's concession until

Bond specialist to take key role,

says JULIA GIERZ

EUTSCHE Bank, the biggest bank in Ger-many, will undergo a boardroom shuffle next spring when its current chairman, Hilmar Kopper, steps down.

He will be replaced by Rolf Breuer after the annual meeting next May, in a move which analysts suggest is unlikely to result in a signifi-cant shift in direction.

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safety-conscious pilot group, confirmed yesterday that it is studying a Dutch government proposal to and managers. Open-minded and a good communicator, he take over bankrupt plane-maker Fokker, but said no is seen as a safe pair of hands deal had yet been conafter some of the problems which dogged Mr Kopper's cluded. The company wants to make use of Fokker's know-how to build a new regime. generation of regional jets. Conrt-appointed adminis-trators who have been run-

The bank led the £1.25 billion rescue at Metallgesell-schaft and was the main creditor of the now jalled property tycoon Jürgen Schneider. Mr Kopper ran into heavy ning Fokker since it was declared bankrupt in

March, gave Samsung the exclusive right to examine criticism after describing as "peanuts" the amount of money the Schneider prop-erty company owed to small businesses at the time of its collapse. More recently, Deut-Fokker's books in September with a view to a poss ible bid for its core planemaking business sche Bank had to inject about

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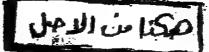


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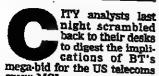
Asia-Pacific billions the ultimate prize as technology shrinks the globe Notebook

BT bids to join big-hitters

Test of greatness for stalwart Kohl

Tony May

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group MCL The deal, which will make the merged group the secondbiggest telecommunications

company in the world, exceeded only by AT&T, came too late for many dealers, who

seeped out, there was the ex-pectation of hectic trading when business resumes on Monday.

In swallowing a company half its own aize, BT risks damaging its share price and straining its finances in the Founded in 1968, MCI short term, but believes the was the first company to

prize in the mid to long term | found in the Asia-Pacific | is dazzling. BT knows that size is everyregion, which has £200 billion to spend on new telecom-

thing in an age when digital communication is crucial to munications systems over the next five years. back to their desks economic prosperity in the to digest the impli-cations of BT's to lead the rare to connect the for the US talendary of the tare to connect the BT and MCI will be among the biggest hitters in a pack 80 per cent of the world's population who, according to the UN International Telecom-Sprint of the US to form Global One; and AT&T, which has set up World Partners munications Union, have no access to a telephone. The biggest prizes are to be with 16 companies.

BT and MCI have been linked since 1964, when BT that includes the French and paid \$4.8 billion for a 20 per German telecoms companies, which have linked with cent stake in MCL Michael Rowney, vice-president of ventures

Other groups have formed agreement to give each other economy to overtake the US Illiances around the globe, the right to make purchases early next century, but first it one with a single project in or form partnerships as a will need world class commualliances around the globe, some with a single project in mind while others have a BT and MCI divided up longer-lerm stratery.

their global strategy. BT had the leadership in the forging of European acquisitions and partnerships, while MCI did the same in the Americas. But executive neither has a big presence in the Asia-Pacific region, where the prizes are biggest.

Economists expect China's

However, as the details of the details of the details of the distance

MCI, the second-largest long-distance telephone company in the US, has spent its life snapping at the heels of its bigger rival, AT&T, writes Mark Tran in New York

challenge the old Bell sys-tem on long-distance calls, building a reputation as an astute marketer and grab-bing 20 per cent of the \$75 billion (\$46 hillion) long-distance business. But with deregulation of the in-dustry. MCI has its eve on ioint venture with Rumert

boild a direct broadcast sat-ellite network, although this has reportedly now fal-

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forces the game has become ever more complex as the distinctions between communi-cations technologies have blurred. A growing web of op-tical fibres is carrying speech, faxes, banking transactions, computer data, television,

Tran in New York, Founded in 1968, MCI dustry, MCI has its eye on Sterling's rise alarms

Sanah Ryle

EARS that a surge in sterling against key foreign currencies could pile on the pressure for British exporters emerged last night, casting a shadow over fresh signs of a recovery in manufacturing. As the pound hit a two-and-

a-half-year high, moving close to the 2.50 level against the German mark, industry leaders spoke of growing concern for competitiveness in a relatively weak overseas market. City analysis said specula-

tion that interest rates could rise again before the general election had boosted the currency further. It surged to DM3.49 before settling at DM2.48, and rose against the dollar to 1.64.

"Sterling is experiencing a number of positive factors: its EMU safe-haven status, higher oli prices and firming economic growth," James

Purchasing and Supply, which conducts the monthly anapshot of manufacturing activity, said orders were strongest for consumer goods, fuelled by the pick-up in retail demand, but reported a sharp increase in purchases of investment goods. It welcomed signs that recruitment intentions me

CIPS director-general Peter Thomson said: "Given the strength of demand reported by manufacturers of all types of goods, there is every chance this increase in em-ployment is set to continue." City analysis pointed to the fresh evidence of tightening in the labour market as a possible economic justifica-tion for Chancellor Kenneth Clarke's decision to raise base rates to 6 per cent earlier

this week. Although prices in the sec-tor are still falling, according to the PMI, analysts warned that the latest evidence of a ernational acon 100.000



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ERMANY'S chancellor, GHelmut Kohl, this week became the second longest holder of the office in longest couler of the onice in history. On Thursday he overbook Konrad Adenauer for length of service and only Bismarck who, as the Econo-Bismarck who, as the Econo-mist pertinently pointed out, never had to submit himself to the judgment of the ballot box, has served for longer. Apart from physical size and longevity of service, the two men have something else in common. Both were instrumental in promoting German unity. It was Bismarck, the Iron Chancellor, who did the job originally, Mr Kohl who was responsible for bringing East and West Germany back together after the fall of the

Berlin Wall There the similarity might be thought to end. The joyial, apparently provincial Mr Kohl would appear to have little in common with Bismarck; a Prussian junker born and bred, much given to wearing military uniform. Their approach to the divided Germanies which confronted them was also very different. Some argue that Bismarck's motivation was Prussian rather than Ger-man. "The unifaction of Ger-

many was incidental, a by-product of his never-ending pursuit of Prussian interests," according to historian David Thomson in his classic text: Europe since Napoleon. There was nothing incidental about Mr Kohl's approach to German reunification, just as there is nothing incidental about his determination to pursue closer European

ntegration. While Bismarck battled (three wars in less than a decade) to forge a Prussian Ger-many, Mr Kohl has sought to allay fears of a German Europe by making his country one of the best Europeans. Bismarck used the strength of the Prussian army, Mr Kohl the strength of the German mark. Thus in 1990 Mr Kohl

very direct way, the custopushed through German mon- | dian of the country's cur etary union — using the then West Germany's wealth to oll the wheels of political change. Now Mr Kohl is using Burorency. For many Germans the nark has become the symbol of the post-war economic SUCCES A large section of the popupean Monetary Union as part of his strategy to develop a structure in which (hopelation does not want to give it up. For them the euro will not fully) Germany and its neigh-bours will feel comfortable represent the route to a stron ger currency and lower interest rates - the reward held out to others. At hest the euro Burt just as Bismarck did not always see eye to eye with the military eswould simply be the mark by another name. More likely Germany will tablishment on which his polface a weaker currency and icy ultimately relied, so too Mr Kohl's campaign has not higher interest rates. There are even those who suggest made him popular with a key Mr Kohl would like a weaker part of the country's eco-pomic establishment - the mark to help German indus trial competitiveness. That is perhaps going too far, but the Five years ago Mr Kohl clashed with the Bundesbank more the criteria are watered down, the weaker the euro over the terms for German will be. monetary union. The central Hence the angst in Frankbank was strongly opposed to Chancellor Kohl's plan to furt and elsewhere. Though the Bundesbank has never courted popularity, its hardswap East German marks for line stance strikes a chord Deutsche Marks on a one-for-one basis. with many. This should give Mr Kohl The political allure, of cause to pause. Bismarck's redrawing of the map of course, was irresistible but the exchange rate made much of the former East German in-Europe left a perilous legacy. Mr Kohl's legacy will be dif-ferent. But he needs to get his dustry uncompetitive over-night, Both East and West Germany have paid a stiff price — the former in the EMII sums absolutely right. The alternative could be lo shape of high unemployment, division.

the latter through heavy transfers, around DM900 bil-lion and still counting. Now Mr Rohl is coming under fire for his determination to press ahead with European Monetary Union. Not that the Bundesbank is saying that monetary union is a bad thing per sc. But it is wor-

> on the wrong terms. This may sound odd. The conditions are already laid down in the Maastricht Treaty and once seemed sacred. Now, however, what appeared set in stone is looking creaky. The treaty allows for a degree of interpretation. Countries in breach of the government deficit or public debt criteria (limited to 3 per cent and 60 per cent of gross domestic product respec-tively) can still be allowed to qualify for monetary union if they are believed either to be in the process of rectifying the problem or if the ceiling has been exceeded only as a result of exceptional circumstances. Some governments are also looking to excep-tional circumstances in a bid to make their budgetary arithmetic add up.

Take France Telecom's near £5 billion transfer to the government budget — a ploy which was this week given the nod by the European Commission, Chancellor Kohl has also been reported as supplying comforting words to the premiers of several countries whose political determination to qualify for the first wave of monetary union might be thought to outstrip the degree of their economic convergence.

S THE former Labour A shancellor, Lord Healey, noted with characteria tic directness this week: "France, Italy, Spain and the Netherlands hope to meet the criteria, but only by fixing the figures." Even Germany's own ability to meet the strictest reading of the terms has been cast into doubt.

None of this is going down too well at the Bundesbank's headquarters in Frankfurt. When the European Commission gave its backing to the inclusion of the France Tele-com pension transfer in the government's budget calcula-tions, the response was clear. "Wrong," said Bundesbank council member Klaus-Dieter Kuebbacher.

The Bundesbank is, in a

exporters The Chartered Institute of and alliances for MCI, said the two companies had al-ready hammered out a broad

MCKRV. In mist at Paine Webber, said. Douglas Godden, head of economic policy at the CBI, said: "There are growing worries among exporters at the effect of sterling's rise on their business. They will be even more concerned if the pound rises above DM2.60 and stays there. A British Chambers of Com-

merce spokesman said a strong pound would hit key sectors like engineering, auto mobiles and aerospace. "Brit-ish exporters not only face a strong pound but have to reckon with a weakened mark and the poor economic climate "The concern over exports was countered to some extent

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the highest level since September 1994, boosted the overall index to 54.5, signalling accelerating expansion.

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sector -- which the Chance lor is known to view as a guide to the underlying health of the whole economy — could increase the prospect of another rise in base rates. David Walton, economist at investment bank Goldman Sachs, said: "To keep infla-tion under firm control, base rates may need to rise to around 6.5 per cent in coming months,

The Chancellor's panel of independent advisers was di-vided about the need to change monetary policy; its regular report on the econo-

tighten policy or leave it on hold lessened the report's im-

ary pressure in the US less-ened last night as the latest jobs figures showed a small increase in employment last month, but left the unemployment and sverage earnh



ny showed yesterday. Writ-ten (and printed) before the rate rise on Wednesday, the divided opinion on whether to

pact on the markets.
Market fears for inflation. rates unchanged. kın King

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managers of Manchester | major new store in Newcas & Spencer United and City, Alex Fer-guson (left) and Steve Copreturned in strength yesterday to Manchester, where its main regional branch Dell

Sir Richard promised a "state of the art" flagship was destroyed by the IRA bomb in June, writes Tony May. store when rebuilding of Two large temporary the bombed Arndale Centre

branches were opened in the city centre by chairman Sir Richard Greenbury (right), flanked by the rival area begins in earnest next

tie - and we can't have a bigger store in Newcastle than Manchester The bombing will have af-

fected the group's profits it had annual sales of about £80 million — but Sir Rich

ard is still expected to

half of the year, putting the group on course to push full-year · profits past 21 billion for the first time. The opening of a food store in Spring Gardens and clothes department in part of the Lewis's building, coincided with the launch of late-night Christmas shopping.

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Bundesbank.

Digital TV decoder will cost £300

On the up German Mark to Lik £ 1. Ant - 1

Sale of the set-top box decoder viewers will need to receive digital television could cost up to £300. BSkyB, which is thought to be talking to possible part-ners like British Telecom about a potential link-up on digital television, said this would have to be subsidised. There are a lot of discus-

sions going on as to how we do that, but we are confident we will proceed to take advantage of new technology." Speaking at BSkyB's annual meeting in London

group's determination to forge ahead in the digital rev-olution in Britain and in Gershareholder Chargeurs had demerged, transferring its stake of up to 48 per cent in DFL, the satellite broadcaster shares to Pathé, which had no automatic boardroom place. But Pirc, the corporate gov-emance consultancy, argued run by the Kirch group. Mr Robinson's comments came as BSkyB announced a tirectors should b directors should be answer-able to all shareholders. Stu-

art Bell, Firc's research direc-tor, backed by John Callum, of the West Midlands pension 31 per cent jump in first quar ter pre-tax profits, to £66 mil-lion, while the number of paying subscribers climbed to 5.65 million. BSkyB defeated a sharefund told the meeting the

holder rebellion over a rule change protecting two of its directors, Frenchmen Michel Crepon and Jerome Seydoux, from having to be re-elected

yesterday, chairman Gerry at future meetings. The com-Robinson repeated the pany said the move was group's determination to needed because 17 per cent had won support from 96 per prospectus. He said BSkyB had won support from 96 per

cent of its shareholders. Deputy managing director David Chance insisted BSkyB was still in talks with Time Warner about the new Warner Channel, which was lue to have been launched by BSkyB yesterday.

Earlier, there had been speculation that Rupert Murdoch's News Corporation, which owns 40 per cent of BSkyB, had forced the group to pull the plug on the chanmove was a "poor example of corporate governance practice". Mr Robinson said the rule change was "in effect blacking of its Fox News allowing a name change from channel in the US.

Chargeurs to Pathé", and that the arrangement had been 10p at 568½p.

nel in retaliation for Warner' **Pauline Springett** BSkyB shares closed down

occupied by the Department of Social Security. The three bidders are Part-Henderson Investors, to ac- | terday it was satisfied the problems had been resolved. nership Property Manage-ment, headed by US invest-ment bank Goldman Sachs; **Tobacco arrests** Two former chairman of FTC, the Indian tobacco group in which BAT industries has a Mapeley Holdings, led by US bank Nationsbank; and Opus, 31 per cant stake, were ar-rested yesterday in connec-tion with alleged foreign exled by Japanese securities house Nomura. The ultimate winner will be

change violations. Kishan Lal Chugh and Jagdish Narain Sapra were arrested in Calcutta by the finance minis

suitable supplier." clared insolvent in England and Wales between July and September was 3,423, 2 per cent down on the previous

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Three bid for **PFI** project

ment programme aimed at upgrading them.

HREE consortiums led by overseas banks have been shortlisted for the angler to the private states transfer to the private sector ed — because property ex-of more than 700 buildings perts cannot agree about the value of the properties involved, many of which are in need of refurbishment.

The annual rent income of the 1.7 million-square metre portfolio is about £170 million, about the same as that of the UK's fourth-largest property group.

The controversial transfer proposal, unveiled earlier announced next year. Peter Lilley, the Social Security this year, is the largest property deal proposed so far under the government's Pri-Secretary, said: "Each of the consortia will be invited to submit a bid which details vate Finance Initiative, which aims to encourage prihow they propose to meet the vate companies to invest in Department's requirements. The bids will be evaluated in large government construction and property projects. The three consortia have early 1997 to identify the most

been whittled down from a The successful bidder will list of six which also included assume responsibility, for a UK bank NatWest Markets, period of 25 years, for manag-ing the properties as well as Pell Frischman and quantity putting in place an invest- surveyors Buckmall.

been put up for sale by its pany. Whitbread, which al-owners, venture capital ready runs some 243 Pizza groups Mercury Asset Man-agement and Morgan Gren-venture with America's Pep-HITBREAD, the brewing and leisure corporation, confell, who have been looking for a way to realise the value of their investment since firmed yesterday it was in talks to buy BrightReasons, BrightReasons pulled its planned flotation in 1994. The likely deal, which was the restaurant group which owns the Pizzaland and Bella first reported in the Guard-

this reported in the Guard-ian, is expected to see the de-parture of chairman Michael Guthrie, the former Mecca Leisure boss, who bought most of the chain from Grand The deal is expected to value the company at \$50 million. Sources close to both comsources cause to both com-panies said last night that talks between Whitbread and BrightReasons, Britain's large. Metropolitan five years ago. Mr Guthrie, with the rest of the management team he as-sembled for the buy-out, is exest unquoted restaurant chain, were well advanced

chain, were well advanced and that an announcement was imminient. BrightReasons, which owns over 180 outlets, has

Whitbread fancies pizza chains News in brief



Chelsea Football Club, who bread plans to convert many of the BrightReasons sites to its own brands, including was killed in a helicopter crash last week. Mr Coldman has worked at Cafe Rouge and Dome, the

Benfield with Mr Harding since the mid-1980s and was brands it snapped up in An-gust's £133 million acquisimanaging director of the Bention of Pelican Group. But Whitbread, which now enjoys Britain's second big-gest restaurant sales after Mcfield insurance group.

Bid recommended Shareholders of TR Technology, the UK's top-performing

Harding's

investment trust, were yesterday urged by its manager; earnings. The SFA said yes-

Technology Trust. Salomon cleared The London arm of Wall Street bank Salomon Brothers will no longer be subjected to special surveillance by City regulators, the Securities and Futures Authority said yes-terday. Salomon was put on

cept a takeover bid from a new fund also run by Hender-

son. Holders of ordinary

shares in the £368.5 million

TR Technology Trust, which is due to be wound up in April

1998, were advised to roll over

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special watch in October last year after it emerged that computer book-keeping

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errors had generated millions of pounds' worth of phantom

try's Enforcement Director ate, which on Wednesday arrested four other men. Fewer go bust The number of companies de-

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FinanceGuardian. **Canny Ken's credibility bid**

The Chancellor caught the City, the **Bank of England** and even his own backbenchers napping when he hoisted interest rates. Will his mask of austerity slip to save the Tory bacon on election day?

Report: LARRY ELLIOTT



The crying game . . . Chancellor Clarke gets an earful from a Nottingham pensioner in the 1992 election

Saturday November 2 1996



rush-hour traffic on Wednesday night for a live interview on Channel 4, officials at the Bank of England were putting in some unscheduled overtime.

Like almost everybody else in the City, the Old Lady had been caught unawares by Kenneth Clarke's decision to being grilled, and the Bank was fiddling with its equahoist base rates by a quartertions, Westminster's bars and point to 8 per cent. In the restaurants were filling up Bank's case it was a pleasant with MPs trying to work out

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surprise, aince it had b what it all meant for the Bud get and beyond. Was this a urging the Chancellor to take just such a step. fiendishly clever plot from However, it did mean that Canny Ken -- or pre-election officials at Threadneedle political hara-kiri? The consensus view was that the Chancellor had made Street had to rewrite the quarterly Inflation Report, due out next Wednesday, to a Faustian bargain with the take account of the impact of

the monetary tightening on the economic outlook over the next two years. While the Chancellor was

of the pages of the book — the weakness of investment, the beneficial impact of devalua-tion, the erosion of the tax Bank's governor, Eddie George, trading a small in-crease in base rates for a more generous Budget later base caused by the casualis-ation of the labour market --this month. Previous Conservative Chancellors saw the political merits of cutting have been torn out. taxes ahead of the elections of 1983, 1987 and 1992, and reaped a dividend each time.

All this suggests that the City and Westminster may have misjudged the thinking behind Wetnesday's base-rate But this explanation seems a bit glib. There has been lit-tle indication that Clarke is move. Having assumed incor-rectly that the Chancellor preparing for a gambler's last throw on November 26, stak-ing everything on hefty tax cuts aimed at wooing all those would refrain from tightening monetary policy for the next six months, they may be wrong again to assume that he is now set on a Budget disgruntled C1s and C2s back into the fold. A month before givesway. A more subtle analysis is that this week's events last year's Budget, backgive Mr Clarke a credibility cushion over the coming weeks and months. He will probably need this because, benchers were ratcheting up speculation that tax cuts would be worth £5 billion, £6 billion, even £8 billion. This time, everything is much more low-key. If any-thing, expectations have been as Goldman Sachs and the Institute for Fiscal Studies said

would colour

Like the Prime Minister

the Chancellor is rather

proud of the Government's economic record. He believes

the Conservatives have a

good story to tell, even if some

tions as well.

in their recent Green Budget the City may need a leap of faith to believe the Budget massaged down in recent weeks, so that the betting is now on tax cuts of £2 billion rather than the £3 billion prearithmetic FTER all the

tough talking by the Chancellor,

the markets will

and that tar cuts are matched

dicted in the late summer. Even this modest reduction comes at a price: cuts in pub-lic spending of at least an Δ

the spending of at least an equivalent amount. While not quite up to the standard of Sir Stafford Cripps, who insisted that Att-lee hold the February 1950 election before the Budget so that there could be no suggest by spending cuts. But there are spending cuts and spending cuts - ones that actually affect programmes and ones that remove the odd billion at that there could be no sugges-tion that he had tried to bribe the struke of a pen. No prizes for guessing what to expect the electorate, this is remark-ably restrained for a Governthis time. Ever since the spending

ment on course for spectacu-lar defeat. round began in earnest five months ago, ministers have The suspicion lingers that it is all a pretence, and that the mask of austerity will been beating a path to Clarke's door, seeking more drop in 24 days' time to reveal money for their departments a far more expansive Chancellor. They are hoping that the Chief Secretary, William Wal-degrave, will follow the exam-Clarke denies this, both

ple of his predecessor, David Mellor, in 1991, and let public publicly and privately. His view is that the only way the spending rip abead of the Government can recover its reputation for competence, lost on Black Wednesday, is In their hearts, they know that there is absolutely no chance of this happening, not least because Mellor's profito do the right thing for the economy and let the politics look after themselves. With the public sector borgacy is one of the reasons the Government's finances are in rowing requirement still far too high for comfort, his view such an appalling mess. But it has still been a bloody fight.

is that lopping two or three pence off the basic rate in the Clarke and Waldegrave have been pointing out that lower-than-expected inflation should allow ministers to de-Budget would be received badly in the financial markets, and that this displeasure

Despite the limited scope for generosity, the Budget will be intensely political. Clarke is no Cripps and knows tax cuts will affect pay packets just before polling day



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Sterling was yesterday nudging DM2.50 against the German mark, up 11 plennigs in the past month. Its tradevices with smaller cash totals. The message has been that there is no gain on the tax side without pain on the spending side.

spending side. The difficulty is in finding real savings from ministers who can see the logic of pub-lic expenditure restraint for every Government depart-ment bar their own. With health trusts already warning that hospitals are running out of money, education becom-ing a key electoral battle-ground, and Michael How-ard's tough stance on crime ratcheting up the law and order budget, there are few easy targets. Defence has already been pruned, civil ser-vice numbers slashed, local

government squeezed. But all is not lost. There are countless sneaky ways the Treasury can juggle the numthessing can jugge the num-bers, dressing up phantom reductions in expenditure as the real thing. There is, for example, the temptation to make deep cuts in public capi-tal spending predicated on compensatory increases in monay for infracturative atto. money for infrastructure projects from the Private Finance Initiative. The markets know this

They have seen Chancellors make all sorts of grandiose claims for public spending control in the past, only to see big overshoots when the numbers have actually come in. But after the base-rate rise this week, they just might be more forgiving if Clarke's public spending cuts look as if they have been achieved with smoke and mirrors rather



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over the same period — a size-able buffer against any postclaw some of the money back elsewhere. The IFS believe Budget jitters on the foreign exchanges. Of course, if the Budget is as Crippsian as one obvious target is the 2800 million cost of tax relief on profit-related pay. Labour is well prepared. It has estimated that the tax in-Clarke insists it will be, ster-

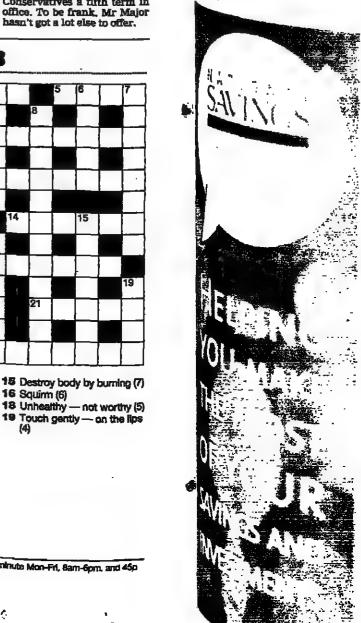
ling could rise still further, stifling calls for further in-creases in base rates and per-haps even prompting specula-tion about a pre-election cat. creases announced in the two Budgets of 1993 raised taxes by the equivalent of seven pence on the basic rate of in-Despite the limited scope come tax. If the basic rate is for generosity, the Budget will still be intensely politicut again to 28 pence after last year's reduction, Gordon cal Clarke is no Cripps, and Brown will simply say "seven pence on, two pence off". knows that any tax cuts will Clarke must know this, and

start to affect pay packets in April, a month before the like-liest polling day of May 1. In addition, he will be doing his will be looking for something that will deliver a bigger political punch. One possibility would be to pre-announce a phased reduction in the basic best to wrong-foot Labour, putting it on the defensive over tax, as it was for the whole of the 1992 campaign. rate, with a one pence cut in each of the next four years,

The obvious move is to cut one penny off the basic rate, bringing it down to 23 pence, bringing it down to 20 pence by the end of the millenium. If - and it's a big if - he can make the sums stand up, it would not only put Labour on while at the same time widen-That will bring the Govern-ment closer to its long-term

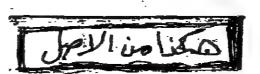
the spot but would also pro-vide a reason for giving the alm of reducing the basic rate Conservatives a fifth term in to 20 pence. This would cost office. To be frank. Mr Major hasn't got a lot else to offer. between £2.5 billion and

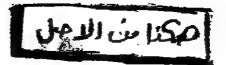
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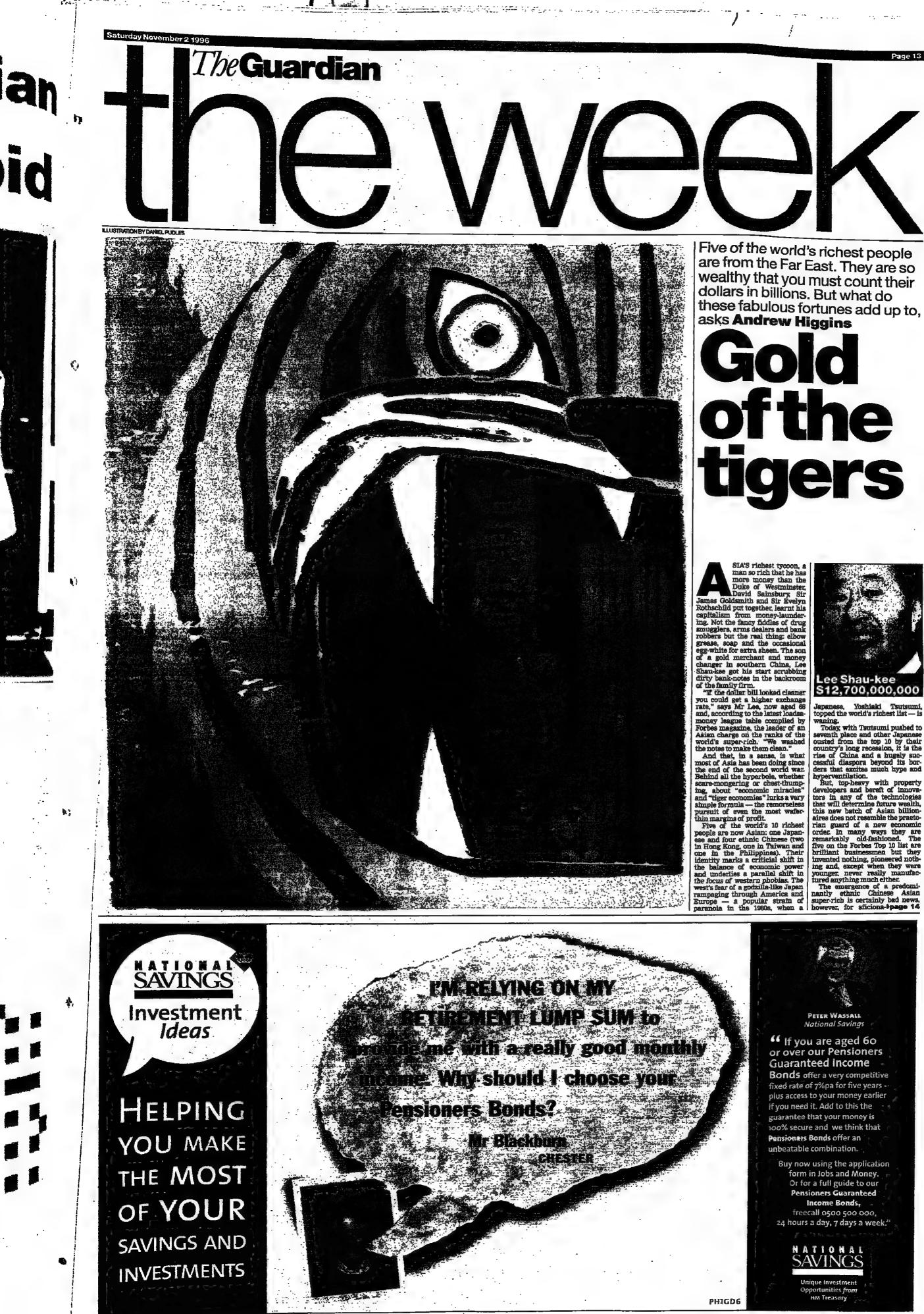


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tors in any of the technologies that will determine future wealth, this new batch of Asian billion-aires does not resemble the practorian guard of a new economic order. In many ways they are remarkably old-fashioned. The five on the Forbes Top 10 list are brilliant businessmen but they invented nothing, pioneered noth-ing and, except when they were younger, never really manufac-tured anything much either.

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The global view has been censured by a state conduct commi # Austrialian parliamen-The Commission on tarians should have Judicial conduct found realized that as we are approaching the millenthat between 1991 and 1993. Mr Bradigan heard nium of globalisation two DWI cases and rendered decisions on two small claims cases while where human movement is indispensable for cooperation and development, no nation can be part of any world community if it con-

tinues to set up ideologial racial and religions barriers. Editorial in the Jakarta Post, after an AustralianMP warned that the country was in danger of being swamped by Asian

Drunk while ruling over drunk driving cases, Villenova Town Justice James R Bradigan

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The British view

Mail bosses were forced to move a post box 200 Police officers receiving
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 families of Hillsborough metres down the road --after a series of unwanted deliveries from local dogs victims received very little may seem very unfair — but it was under a system Rishton, had become a favourite stopping-off carefully worked out by the law. Relatives who waited their doggy deposits was anxiously at Lime Street Station to see whether their family had returned, a local posties. Lancashire Evening Telegraph brother who travelled to Sheffield to identify a vic-A shopowner has found out he is officially dead tim's body and many who watched the horrific details on television, could not claim because under the after his former wife declared him deceased fol-lowing their separation 11 years ago. Avacir Avil had ruling they were too far from the event. The four since remartied. His death had been confirmed by two police officers were sucessful in their appeal because they were 5 close to the disaster. Liverpool Daily Post Shrooshire Star

intoxicated himself. Evening Observer, Dunikirk-Fredonia, New York. A certain sadn attaches to Bob Dole's last-ditch efforts to narrow the presidential race. In his scramble for votes, Dole is rewriting history — his own and the nation? - and repudiating what had been a strong record on civil rights ... It is not a pleasant sight. Editorial, New York Times THE IT GIRLS

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(b) Paul Gascolgne (c) Albert Einstein (d) Bob Dole

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3. "You will expect no affection from me and you will not reproach me for this." Whose loving sentiment?

(c) Bob Dole

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6. Who said he wouldn't collect his prize? (a) Graham Swift (b) Sajman Rushdie (c) Noel Gallagher (d) Danny Wilson

7. Who took a £7,000-aweek wage cut to get an entre hall-kowr in bed?

6. Stuffed by a Turkey. Wbo7

9. "There is nothing wro with stapping as long as it is done with love." Whose discipline? (a) John Ma

10. Whose 11. "I bave been deepty impressed by his determination to address his proble the program that he has already made." Who was (d) George Carey (b) Guilan Shophard (c) Giann Noddle (d) Nigel de Gruchy

12. £23-e-night in a BMB Whose budget weekend EWRY?

18. Arguably the "coolest" place on the iewsweek mat Where? (a) Novosibirsk (b) Stevenage (c) Lando (d) Barcelona (e) Seattle 14. Unhappy returns for vhich 10-year-old? 15. A call on the metility custored trouble for two or about the House.

A testimony of terror embarrassed by headlines This week last year saying "traitor" and "terror-

October 26, 1995 ist". The Prime Minister told the Commons: "I am wholly OHN LLOYD was lookand utterly opposed to any act of terrorism, and I have no doubt the majority of peoing forward to his par-liamentary career. As Labour candidate for Exeter. ple in Exeter will feel the be needed a 2.5 per cent Same way " swing to take the seat from the Tories. But he had reckoned without the storm

which engulfed him when the Guardian revealed his South African past. In 1964, Lloyd had turned state witness against John Harris who, as a fellow member of the African Resistance

The Daily Mail pointed out that the story's source was Labour's left wing, angry at the deselection of Liz Davies in Leeds — exposing "the hol-lowness at the heart of New Labour". It became a politi-

cal football. Lloyd fled to the Isle of Wight hoping the storm movement, planted a bomb at would die out. He was disape railway s It was coming from both tion which killed a woman after police ignored telesides, from the Daily Mail phone warnings. Lloyd's damning testiand Tribune." he recalls. But it was the Tribune facmony led to Harris's murder tion that kept it going. conviction and, the following Lloyd says that on the year, to his execution. advice of Dave Hill at Implored to retract his testi-Labour's press office he wrote a long article defend-ing himself. His version of mony when he was safely in Britain --- which would almost certainly have had the events in 1964 was roundly attacked by Harris's widow sentence commuted — Lloyd and by Hugh Lewin and Although Labour was fully aware of Lloyd's past before Baruch Hirson, both of whom were jailed on Lloyd's

evidence.

Sing the Beloved Country:

them as well as of Lloyd. Ben Bradshaw of the BBC was named as the new candidate in June: Lloyd, whose support among Exeter Labour members remains strong, has been lending a hand to Bradshaw's campaign. Mean-while, he is trying to rebuild his barrister's practice in Excter which he says was "severely damaged" by the revelations of a year ago. A new account of the events of 32 years ago is pub-liabed ment week. Labour MP Peter Hain (who, at the age of 15 read the address at Har-

ris's funeral, but has refused to comment on the Lloyd affair), has written a book





Quiz answers

1 /dl Bob Dok, whose disastrous presidential campaign was not helped by the revelation of an affair with Meredith Roberts during his first manage 2 (a) Geoffrey Boycott, according to Sylva Reid, one of the fire maidens he allegatily branded mark. allegedly bowled over. 3 (c) Albert Einstein, whose tough terms to his wife wore rovaaled in a letter to be sold at Christie's in New York . The New York cast of Les Miserable sacked by producer Cameron Mackin-5 Britannia Alfines dropped the word Royal from its in-flight branding becau to longer has "positive associations" 6. (5) Salman Rushdie, who said he would refuse an EU literary price unless he could collect it in person. The Danish goven ment has refused him entry for the

Ceremony. 7. Chris Evans, whose Radio 1 show will now start half an hour later at 7am. S. Manchester United, whose 40-year unbesten home record in European com-petition ended with a 1-0 deteat by Turk-ish side Ferrerbahce 9 (5) George Carey, the Arch-basher of 10. The Church of England, which has adopted a new logo to help it "compete ir the media marketplace".

11. (c) Glenn Hoddle, who included alleged wife-beater Paul Gascoigne in the squad for England's game against Georsia (Georgia, watch out). 12. The Duchess of York, who stayed with her daughters at a famihouse B&B in the Dectychine Gales

13 (c) Lendon. 14. The M25, London's road to nowhere,

which celebrated its tenth birthday. 15. Tessa Jowell, whose mobile rang durng a debate on the Queon's Speech; and Gillian Shephard, who was slapped down by the PM over the phone for supporting

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Weighed in the scales of justice John Lloyd

While Labour initially to da select him on the grounds that he had misled



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supported its candidate, it gradually caved in and in May the NEC ordered Exete

Lloyd still insists he had done nothing of the kind: "That was a trumped up charge. I kept hoping for a fair hearing, and I do feel a

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bit sore," he says. A source in Exeter describes the local party as "still very, very angry" towards the NEC who it sees as having been critical of

the Struggle for the New South Africa (Pluto Press, £12.99). It includes a short, first-hand account of Lloyd's involvement. "It became vital to get news to Lloyd that if he gave evidence John Harris would be sentenced to death," Hain writes. "Mom ... was able to smuggle such a message to him, and established that he had received it. However, Lloyd ignored this warning." Emily Barr

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came my family was doing buslness and we had to pay attention to currency rates. They would The money-making champions of the world's most nakedly capichange every day. Each night, I calculated how much we had made with an abacus."

talist of societies have a problem, however Despite much nonsense about Confucius as the agent of Asia's capitalist renaissance, the The arithmetic is a great deal Confucian creed has in reality more complicated for him these days, and property has replaced solled bank notes, but the basic calculations have remained the same. "If you have found somealways frowned upon merchants as grubby, greedy and unworthy of real respect. This explains why, once they have made their billions — and set up their children to make sure the money-making stays in the family — a strange metamorphosis overtakes the pubthing that works then do it time and time again and add to your

Sent to Hong Kong in 1948 by his family as insurance against Mao My life is rather simple and I don't need much for my daily expenses. I would rather save my Zedong's imminent victory, Lee began trading toothpaste, belts and other household goods. He then teamed up with two other upmoney for charitable donations," claimed Li Ka-shing, the world's and coming businessmen, forming an alliance that would become sixth-richest man according to Forbes. He is Hong Kong's best known billionaire and, until a local known as the "three musketeers." They cut their first big property deal in 1956 with the purchase of a hotel in the New Territories that woman won a gold medal for wind-surfing at the Atlanta Olympics,

the colony's greatest hero. In a rare newspaper interview last year, he claimed to prefer shoes with plastic soles "so I don't have to change them so fre-quently" and that he ate modest, was later turned into an apart-ment bulking. He has been doing much the same thing ever since, confident that the demographic reality of a tiny territory crowded with more and more people will always drive almost monastic meals of veg-etable and fish — "the kind you and more people will always drive up prices. Neither rioting in the 1960s nor the collapse of the local currency in the 1980s dented this simple but hugely lucrative strat-egy, out of which he has created Henderson Land, Hong Kong's most profitable firm. Only war, he would usually feed your cat with". Known in Chinese speaking communities across Asia as "Superman", Li controls a huge empire of property, construction, power plants and other concerns but presents himself as more interested in family values than says, can slow this money-making machine. the value of his shareholdings. So is this the face of the future?

The image took a serious dent when a magazine published tittle-Do Lee Shau-kee and Li Ka-shing and the three other Asian billiontattle about his private life and aires in the top 10 - with a comclaims that his wife died of a drug All but one of the five Asian billionaires at the top of the Forbes already being told, Pacific cen-tury? Do they form the sharp ecolist made the bulk of their fortunes on property. They bought low and sold high. The odd man out is Taiwan's Tsai Wan-lin, with wealth put at \$122 billion, who nomic edge of Asian values, a system of beliefs different from and in many ways hostile to the laissez-faire liberalism of the made his plle selling insurance, Weet?

using friends in the ruling Kuom-They certainly excel at what they do, but what they do will not intang to secure a dominant fran-chise for his firm, Cathay Life. change the world. It will only Commentators often juxtapose make parts of it richer. These are what they perceive as the feckless men who have made their fortune welfarism of Britain and Europe by playing the margins, making with the brash get-rich-quick credo of the "Asian model". To incremental change rather than quantum leaps. They are not piosome extent the theory is supneers of innovation or explorers ported by men like Lee Shau-kee. of a new frontier. They may be reaching his dizzy heights of "Since boyhood I've always been interested in making money," he wealth but, for the time being, Bill "Before the communists Gates has little to fear.

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into their homes. "There is a dif-ference between Chinese and for-eigners." explains Lee. He is fourth richest man on the planet yet, unlike younger members of Asian tycoonery, speaks no foreign language and rarely travels abroad. "Foreigners want a pri-vate plane or a yacht. I don't go on a yacht more than twice a year." Instead of buying or better build-

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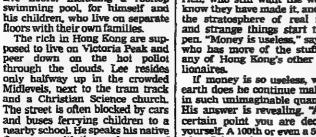
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rich and famous. They are not peo-ple who invite Hello! magazine

ing himself a grandiose villa, as befits Hong Kong's biggest prop-erty developer. Lee lives in an apartment block which he owns and which, at least in external decor, resembles nothing so much as an upscale sauna and massage parlour. A mock Venetian fountain squirts relentlessly near an entrance encrusted with fairy lights and gold trim. He has the top live floors, including a rooftop swimming pool, for himself and his children, who live on separate floors with their own familles. The rich in Hong Kong are sup



Cantonese with the earthy tones of his home village across the border in Shun Tak Lee's lot in life would undoubtedly be desirable and impressive to most of us. But relatively speaking, his estate is extraordinarily modest. After all, this is no common or carden millionaire. Forbes magazine estimates he is worth \$12.7 billion (£8 billion).

That puts him only behind Microsoft's Bill Gates, the American investor Warren Buffet and Paul Sacher, the aging patriarch of a Swiss pharmaceuticals dynasty, in the world wealth stakes. And yet compared with the way his western equivalents handle their money, he is chalk from cheese. Take Bill Gates. Now ranked as

bigger than the budgets of some small countries. Having made all this money, Gates now clearly intends to enjoy spending at least some of it. He has splashed out £30 million to build a 45-room fantasy man-sion overlooking Lake Washington near Seattle. Built into the side of a mountain the house is crammed with computers and video screens,

the richest man in the world, the

software squillionaire is worth some \$18 billion (£12 billion) —

a temple to the technologies that so enriched its owner. Lee has donated lots of money too. But there the comparison ends. The beneficiaries of his largesse are far more staid: Oxford and a host of other academic insti-tutions in Britain, the United Sintes and China.

Hong Kong has plenty of show-offs, as do Asia's other boom cities. Their voracious conspicuous con-sumption, fuelled by the high-octane growth of Asia's "tiger" economies, has been a bonanza for a small army of gilt-edge pedlars from Europe hawking Rolls-Royce, Mercedes, Cartier, Courvoisier or other brand-name totems of wealth.

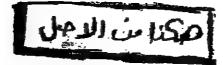
Yet move beyond the merely rich, who still want the world to know they have made it, and enter the stratosphere of real money and strange things start to hap-pen. "Money is useless," says Lee, who has more of the stuff than any of Hong Kong's other 19 bil-lionaires.

If money is so useless, why on earth does he continue making it in such unimaginable quantities? His answer is revealing. "After a certain point you are deceiving yourself. A 100th or even a 500th of what I have is enough for all I need. Anything extra is just to give yourself a sense of satisfaction." Satisfaction? At what point is satisfaction sated? In the case of Lee, almost certainly never, he enjoys it too much. Like most Chi-

nese magnates he is grooming his children to take over but has no intention of retiring soon.

Perhaps no community has ever made money with as much zeal or success as the Chinese diaspora in East Asia. Numbering some 50 million people, it generates more money than the individual countries in which they live. An Australian survey estimated that if you put together all the ethnic Chinese scattered outside China's horders you would have a GDP | Towering ... Lippo Centre in Hong Kong





THE WEEK 15

Mikhail Gorbachev changed the world, now he spends his time drinking tea and pondering

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hands are enormous and fieshy, his hair now white, the trademark red blotch like a dark red egg yolk someone has smashed on his skull and left in mid-dribble. Does it bother him? "For many

cluster around his nose.

it. A man who changed the world, now touting his Memoirs in a Thirty seconds pass during which his entourage stand around

as he vigorously re-arranges the cushions. Finally, he beckons to Paleshchenko who quickly criss out with alarm, "He'd prefar a. chair. Mr Gorbachev says he would prefar a oblight" would prefer a chair!"

"A chair, a chair!" shouts an aide in a brown suit.

"A chair, quickly, a chair," calls the girl from the publishers, throwing down her nubuck brief-Icase and struggling to heave a yal-low Louis XIVth number over an obstructive coffee table. Gorba-chev springs up and spreads him-self across the coffee table which he tries to manoeuvre out of her way. The girl looks horrified, Pa-leshchenko pushes him back and wrestles the chair from her. It seems to take an age but eventu-ally Gorbachev sits down and ac-cepts a cup of coffee. "Sugar for Mr Gorbachev!" cries Paleshchenko urgently, also sitting. The president swivels obediently and stares into the camera.

So what have you been up to since you arrived. I ask, as the photographer tries to remove the coffee cup and Gorbachev grabs it conce cup an Gorbachev gates it back. "Only peaceful activities!" he grins. "Last night I was in Oxford. Whenever I come to this country I feel I must go to Oxford, it's such a wonderful town."

And what about when he's st. home, what does an ex-president

years it wasn't visible because I had hair, I've never been upset by it," he smiles. I grin back, Gorba-chev is here. I can hardly believe

'Utopia is for fairy tales' . . . Mikhail Gorbachev

of the Soviet Union do all day? He There is thinks. "I think," he says. It is a peculiarly Russian answer and not one I would ever expect from a British leader. What less does he think about? "I think about what's happened in the past and I think about the future. I write and I also travel a great deal across Russia."

across Russia." Yes, but which does he enjoy doing the most? "It may sound strange but 1 like all of it. I like walking near my country house, I manage around six kilometres an hour in my jogging suit! I also like to spend time with my grand-daughters and with just me and Mrs Gorbachev. We have a lot to discuss." He stors for a burst of discuss." He stops for a burst of coffee. "You know, I like life!"

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coffee. "You know, I like life" I have no reason to disbelieve him. Smiles spill frequently from his lips, but something happened to Thatcher and Reagan. The loss of office sucks the essence out of them. Without it they are gone, their very centre disappears. The same has happened to Gorbachev. There is no one less powerful than a president deposed and you can see the hurt. It throbs through him. The more he talks, the fur-ther the real events slip sway ther the real events slip sway from him, his own role in history now packaged in anecdotes oblig-ingly recounted to flog his book. Still, he is pleasant and charm-

HE TERRIBLE thing about the Daily Mail, and the thing that makes it far more dan-

gerous than the Sun, is that its

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cal correctness.

randers thinks it's a proper news-paper. People who buy the Sun know it's rubbish. People who buy the Mail think its tabloid shape is

Almost every opinion piece in the paper is entitled "What on earth is going on?" And you can

marantee that if an obscure reac-

tionary think-tank or Tory back-

woodsman were to announce that laft-handed people were respon-sible for the loss of the Empire, one

of the Mail's zealots would pro-claim the next morning: "Thank God somebody has had the cour-

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I confe ss I'm astonished at the I confess I'm astonished at the paucity of his pension and wonder how he coped with so public a loss of status? 'For me, power was not an obsession, it wasn't a ruling ession that captured all of my-Paul Johnson, whose column If those who claim they are rollshould have the words "Paul John son is unwell" printed perma-nently beneath it, this week fulmiing back the frontiers of political

nated against the perfectly amiable blather of the Statement of Values in Education and the Community. He complained that every inter-

est group was represented among the 150-strong forum. For it is now an established notion that society is comprised of political lobbies: the gay vote, the black vote, the feminist vote and so on. And despite the discrimination that ex-ists at every level of society, we are invited to believe that public policy, the media and the arts are entirely dominated by these "powerful" lobbies.

God somebody has had the cour-age to speak out at last." So it is not surprising that the Mail is in the vanguard of the movement to drag our country backwards. It is the perfect expres-sion of the vague and paranold feeling that Everything Has Gone Too Far. And the greatest weapon in its armoury is the myth of politi-cal correctness. When the Batablishment is feel-ing especially hunted, its members will even accuse single issue cam-paigns of being "well-orchestrated and well-organized". The reliving cry of the Left has for hundreds of years been, "Thought you were bringing the leaffets"; but now we are accused of organisational flair.

ing back the fronteers of pointeer correctness have interpreted his-tory accurately, at an unspecified point in the 1980s, the Left took over the world. Reagan and Thatcher were firmly in power. the arms trade was booming mass imemployment became the main tool of government policy, and yet insidiously, black lesbian Trots-

kyists were filling every position. of authority. So now we have Andrew Nell, claiming to be anti-establishment A mán who edited the Sunday Times when it defamed as a prostitute a woman who witnessed the Gibraltar shootings, a man who threw all the energies of that paper into vindicating the SAS, the gov-ermment and British intelligence, wants us to believe he's a thorn in

the side of the powers-that-be. Bigots now use the euphemism "politically incorrect"—as in: "I suppose I'm not allowed to call them coons any more because it's politically incorrect." Commenta-tors who say or write things which above all else, want to be on telly, posing as taboo-bashing, sarred-

ing and only once does he get visi-bly annoyed, when I ask him the size of his pension. "Ahhh," he growls in one ear as Paleshchenko

starts translating the growl simul-taneously in the other. "Ahbh, we've had a very diffipeople. *Real* freedom, something I have always wanted. The system did not make me a robot!"

"My pension initially was set at 1,500 roubles a month!" At this, the man in the brown suit creeps But doesn't he feel bitter that he's just been tossed aside? "Look up and appears to correct him. Gorbachev nods, "Rr ... achaily it was set at 4,000 roubles a month, at the French Revolution, look at Danton and Robespierre," he cries. "One day the people bear Robespierre aloft then the next day they vote to execute him!

if was set at 4,000 roubles a month, but despite inflation, we forgot about it nntil 1994, when it was worth... Well, guess how much it was worth in dollars?" I shake my head. "Two dollars! Two dollars! That was my pen-sion! Mr Gorbachev, the former head of state on two dollars? So I hommer in terms and min commer "Prime Minister Andreotti once asked Raisa this very question, he said: 'Why didn't your husband see there were traitors around him?" And she said, 'Mr Prime Minister, you are a religious man, you know the Bible, tell me, how did it happen that Jesus never saw Judas?." I'm still mulling began to travel and give several lectures, but the most important thing for my livelihood is book-fees." He leans across the table saw Judger," I'm stull multing over this comparison with Christ when he nudges me and says sol-ennly, "Hey, Andreotti thought that was a very good reply!" The Russians have given Gorba-chev their own reply — a derisory 0.5 per cent voted for him in last summer's elections. But how does and slaps my copy of his copiously recorded 700-page Memoirs. "It's not a secret, I made £1 million from my publisher. So now I can say I and my family are well pro-vided for!"

summer's elections. But how does he think history will remember

"Gorbachev was a good man," he says with a dark intensity. "He wanted his people to be free, he

are snobbish, misogynist, racist or

anti-gay, are praised for being out-

And of course, irony is the great

rageous, refreshing, mischievous, even honest.

escape clause for those who wal-

Without our black

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Olympics with a

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note from our mum

low in prejudice. At least Paul

Johnson has the decency to be de-

wold of humour, and would still continue to bellow his indignation

ven if there were no one to hear.

Far worse than him are the tongue in-cheek media whores who,

self. I really feel that a *fully fledged* life began for me after being in power." What does he mean, fully fledged? "I mean freedom. I have freedom to think, to move around, to have confact with all kinds of participation of the second design of the second des and the second was imposed on Russia and Uto-pia is for fairy tales." How would he describe his own political con-victions now? "I think I'm a social democrat," and I suddenly notice a gold tooth winking at me from

his lower jaw. "Freedom and de-mocracy are the key." On the morning we meet, the news has broken of Bob Dole's former-mistress and I wonder what Gorbachev makes of the Ameri-can campaign. "You can't aston-ish me with this kind of thing," he snorts. "My country is knee deep in sleaze!" What does he think of In steaze!" What does ne think of Bill Clinton? "He's changed, he's learned quickly, if he wins, his second term will be very different. You won't squeeze out any more from me on this subject."

He is similarly uncommunica-tive on which foreign leaders he admired most, so I throw in reli-gion. Does he pray? "Niet." Does be believe in anything? "The cos-mos." The cosmos? "There is something very important out there that we still don't know shout "What sort of thing? "Just about." What sort of thing? "Just

something." What about marriage then, how

cow-slaughtering iconoclasts,

THE TELEVISION programme, Gladiators, is always worth a look. Now that pressure from the power-

ful Christian lobby has removed the persecution of religious mi-norities from the proceedings, and the animal rights people have banned the use of real lions, gladia-

torial combat bas become a genu-

ine contact sport, far less danger-

However, I am not sure that all

question the use of real members

of the public, many of whom ap-pear to be ganuinely distraught after their ordeals. "It was a tough

game", are the only words they can muster, when written all over

their tearful faces are the words, "That big bastard really hurt me

with that spongy thing". The pro-

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animal exploitation has been stopped, as most Gladiators look like armadillos in vests. Moreover

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when in reality they are plain old-

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have he and Raisa managed to to up 43 years together? "Love, Jo-anna, is like a good song and it's not easy to compose a song. I think marriages from student tior

There is a brief silence. "Fate has been good to me," he remarks, embarking on a paragraph I sus-pect he has trotted out before. "Yes, despite all the ordeals and difficult experiences I was a child whom my mother and father loved, my grandparents also loved me, I was their favourite and I never forgot where I came from. I'm proud of that." I jot it down and he nods, pleased. "This is a good note to end on, no?"

As I get up to leave, I turn round and to my astonishment see several huge men who have managed to creep into the room without my noticing. It feels rather sinister and I'm relieved to grope my way to the foyer and spot Raisa hover-ing briefly on the hotel steps, a tiny woman of almost Nancy Rea-ganesque proportions. Dressed in a beige cotton suit topped off with a jaunty neckchief, she waves hurriedly before sliding into the Daimler. And then they are off, speeding down Park Lane in a convoy of Land Rovers to make "a personal appearance" at the Knightsbridge citadel of Harrods.

limited effect that political correciness has had upon our language. It is not surprising that our society stereotypes black people as being athletic. Without our black sportspeople, we would have to turn up at the Olympics with a note from our mum. But Gladi-ators shares with boxing not only the ethos that battering the hell out of each other is a good thing but also the practice of nicknaming black people in such a way as to remind the spectator that they are black. Given that few white people are now amazed to see a black person on television, it can hardly be argued that such nicknames are an innocent acknowledgement of ethnic diversity. Nigel Benn is dubbed the Dark Destroyer to imply that, being of dark skin, he's just that bit more scary. And I notice that black Gladiators are called things like Nightshade, Saracen and Shadow. If these titles merely represent a recognition of their colour, then

why are their white colleagues not

called Tipp-Ez, Milk-Bottle or

Pasty-Face?



PJ, PC and the eternal archaic Mail chauvinists

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Still cold comfort for tourists in the world's coolest city

UNDAY: There's a gruesome Goldsmith lately. He bears bad kind of pleasure in watching news: Goldsmith's close associate, the sinister economist Alan Walthe tourists pour off the Eur ostar at Waterloo to spend time in ters, has not even registered to "the world's coolest city" (c) Newsvote. (Once I met Walters in Washington and asked where he lived. "I detest being near to poor people," he said. "So we took a week. If they walk outside the blighted townscape which would demean Sarajevo. If they take the tube, they are handed a leaflet saymap and worked out that George-town was furthest away from the poor people." all delivered in his hypnotic, Old Mother Riley bleat.) ing that the southern part of the Bakerloo line will be closed for eight months, making West End Apparently he leaves such trivia as voting up to his wife, and she's traffic worse, if that's possible. High winds blow litter in their

American, so can't even register. faces as they stride towards super-cool British attractions, such as McDonald's, balsa wood pizza stalls, rancid hamburger stands, I gather Goldsmith has two lists of Tory MPs he will protect those who are in favour of a referen-dum, and those who are so rightstails, rancia hamburger stands, and quite nice restaurants which would charge them £70 for lunch if they could get in, which they can't because they're full. Does anyone believe this nonsense? Do any tourists go home pleased with their holiday, or just resentful at having a lower time for a let of wing that they almost approach his own crazed views. They will learn who they are just before the election. Meanwhile, the Tory high command is whispering that John Major will announce a referendum before the election but only after Goldsmith has spent all having a lousy time for a lot of money? We Londoners are pathetihis fighting fund. cally clinging on to imagined glo-ries, like Toshiha-box dwellers plucking at sleeves, saying: "I used to have a Rolls-Royce, you know. Want to buy a Big Issue?" TUESDAY: To the Booker prize dinner, where I get a chance to sit for a while with Clare Short and her new-found son, Toby. I have

another friend to whom the same thing happened a year or so ago, when an adopted baby appeared MONDAY: Lunch with a friend who has seen a lot of Sir James

out of the blue after 20-odd years. What's astonishing is the wonderful mutual passion between mother and son. It's far more powerful than anything I've ever seen, much more so than with people at the beginning of an ordinary love affair. It's not carnal but it is intensely physical, as if

They had caning at my school and it

never did me any harm. This was

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all the lost kisses and hugs and strokes and intimacy have to be recouped at once. As Clare said: "It's like starting a wonderful new affair, knowing it will never go wrong."

At the end, she gave me a big sloppy kiss and a cuddly hug. We don't know each other that well; she's just so blissfully happy that if she didn't share it around, she'd burst.

that Jeremy Corbyn MP and Lord WEDNESDAY: They had caning | St John are opposed. I don't think at my first secondary school, in Hull, and it never did me any we need to concern ourselves with what Mr Corbyn thinks about anything, but I do retain a lot of affection for Norman "St harm. This was because I was never caned, being a goody-goody from a secure home. Those who had been thrashed returned with John" Stevas. We should point bottom-tingling tales of the head-master's collection, hidden under out to him, gently, that now the royal family are lost to us, we need something to bring in trust-ing tourists. the sofa cushions: bamboo sticks, birch rods, and the fearsome split-pea, which delivered instant ag-ony in stereo. I can't understand why discussion on this topic as-FRIDAY: Feedback on Radio 4 was largely devoted to the visit-ing American couple on the Archers, Vanessa Whitburn desumes that the cane either "works" for everyone or doesn't work at all. People like me cowfended these absurd caricatures, ered because we were afraid of pain and humiliation. For those

chool is cretinous.

though as an Americophile, I thought them as offensive as if a black character were to say: "Yasfrom wrecked homes, and whose misbehaviour at school was a suh, boss, ah sho' is glad to see consequence, it probably made things worse. The notion that it yew!" What was most baffling was that they were played by real Americans, yet even the tiny de-tails were wrong. For instance, the phrase "Kansas City, Kansas" was assumed to be hilarious to would solve the social breakdown which has occured at the Ridings British ears, yet the actors didn't point out that the main Kansas City is in Missouri? I don't mean that Americans should be treated with exaggerated respect; merely that they should not be the vic-

> accounts that you have been try-ing to amuse your board for 20 years. Having read your jibes at me, I can understand your lack of success. Anita, in your next res-ponse, let's have some construc-tive comments and no more edicts telling us all to give up motor cars. Yours ever. Stanley

Dear Sir Stanley,

OH DEAR - I'm not going to play that little boys' game of "mine's bigger than yours", but the Body Shop Is Britain's most successful international retailer in 46 countries - same brand, shared Values

But as abuse came so readily to a man of such rabid clarity, let's have some (clarity, that is). Busi-ness innovation is no longer just about product. It's about the very role of business itself. You may not like it but the importance of stakeholders and the vigilante con-

sumer grows every day. Customers are looking behind the label for answers to questions you don't even recognize. One day your customers will pass by — to competitors who care about people and issues impacted by their busmans.

This isn't fringe. Prince Charles, the Church and even the TUC challenge business leaders like you and me. As John Monks said recently: "There is no point in teaching moral purposes at schools when there is injustice and lack of moral purpose in the workplace." He's right, and you know it. You have the last word here but definitely not on new business vision. How will you use your last words? More macho, retro-posturing, or will you focus on the real world — the one shared by Unipart, Co-op Bank, Nat West and BT, who relish

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HE PROLIFERATION of parties threatening to fight the next election is now getting out of hand. The Scargillites aim to outflank New Labour on the left (not too difficult, some might say) while the Referendum Party under Sir Oliver Goldsmith, grocer extraordinaire and author of He Stoops To Conquer, competes for the votes of hardline Eurosceptics with the UK Independence lot, under the ripely-colfied leader-ship of Dr Sked. And now it's reported that someone is planning a Shooters' Party. It's rather surprising, after John Major blas-phemed against corporal punish-ment, that we haven't yet seen some breakaway group planning to stand on caning. There are certainly hordes of Tory supporters who, given the choice, would rate the Corporal well ahead of the

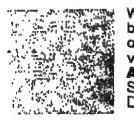
Major. Maybe they will merely content themselves with creating some kind of meeting point: a Chenevix-Trench Society, perhaps. But given the way these causes are treasured by many on the right. I wouldn't entirely rule out the emergence of a Birch 'n' Lash Party, based on support for both Corporal Punishment and his brother, Capital. Which might find itself embrolled before long in merger talks with the Shooters.

SEE the euphonious Councillor Nimrod Ping, who figured in these columns a while ago, may stand for parliament in what used to be called the Labour interest. I am asked by a correspondent whether this would make him the first in a thousand generations of Pings to become an MP; also whether the election of a member called Nimrod would qualify as a first. My answer to both these posers is clear and unequivocal: I haven't the slightest idea. But I guess there is someone out there even more fanatically attached to

such information than I am who may be able to help. Meanwhile, I can certainly say without fear of contradiction that a turn of the cantury member called Newdigate changed his name to Newdigate-Newdegate, a precedent that stands to this day.

ET another candidate is being pushed forward for the role of Jack the Ripper. The November edition of Harper's contains an extract from a book by Richard Wallace, a child psycho therapist, proving beyond peradventure that the guilty party was Lewis Carroll. He derives this conclusion from coded messages con-

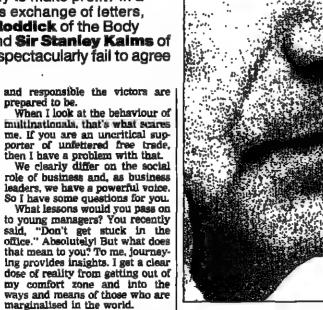
Staking their claims



What are the moral duties of business? To care for the world, or simply to make profit? In a vigorous exchange of letters, Anita Roddick of the Body Shop and Sir Stanley Kalms of Dixons spectacularly fail to agree

Dear Sir Stanley,

E'RE both entre preneurs who speak our minds. One thing that entrepreneurs common is a vision of the future yet the views you recently pub-lished on stakeholding, which you called "hand-bolding", demon-





THURSDAY: Splendid news for the world's coolest city; the Millennium Wheel is now to be built. Assuming it's not a bodged job. and falls into the Thames during a gale, it should become our Eiffel Tower and Empire State Buildtims of stereotypes which were embarrassingly dated when Co-nan Doyle used them. ing. At only a fiver a spin, it will be wonderful value as well. I see

strate a distinct lack of vision. When you say consultants and financial commentators are overrated and British business is weak on design. I agree with you. So how come we disagree so fundamentally about the future?

I think the principal difference between us is that I've seen the future and it frightens the life out of me, whereas you have seen the past and it still frightens the life out of you. What do I mean? You're locked into the battle be-

tween the entrepreneurial market social change to give their work more meaning. That's what makes economy and bureaucratic collecme happy — when I see employees involved, when the connection be tivism. That was won in the seventies and early eighties - by big business. The upcoming skir- tween life and work appears seam-mishes will concern how benign less. Is your apparently money-



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based view of business really so | be so sharp but I can't tell from You have said that what makes you happy is seeing the company's narrow? prosperity trickle down to employ-Anita Roddick, OBE ess. I have a broader vision: our employees want to participate in Founder and Chief Executive. The Body Shop

Dear Anita,

WOW! You have me on the back foot immediately. You claim foremodel than Don Quixote. Yours ever, sight and allow me only hindsight. Stanley Kalms Perhaps you're right: I can't even Chairman, Dixons forecast next week's turnover.

ral resources. If it is, let me declare

an interest. Frankly, I need my daily fix of 10 litres of petrol -

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On the other hand my tribe goes back several thousand years and Dear Sir Stanley.

NOW I know where you're coming we have accumulated quite a lot of carefully documented wisdom. So I from. I'm the irrational female imstart from a sound ethical base posing my world view on employ ees, ignorant of how markets work age-old values and proven rules of But you seem to know the price of everything and the value of nothsocial obligation. No need to make them up on the hoof — instant ethics can be tiresome. Your paranoia about the multiing. Have you the remotest idea of the human costs of your petrol nationals is intriguing. After all,

addiction? Next weekend is the first anniversary of the "judicial murder" of Ken Saro-Wiwa by the the Body Shop is one — as are Dixons in a small way. What is your beef? I guess it might be something to do with using natu-Nigerian dictatorship for protesting the environmental destruction of their lands by Shell. Understand, every time you fill the company car at a Shell station the real price is not paid by your chauffeur.

One thing impressed me in your letter — your reflection on ancient wisdom. The sad thing is you don't seem to have absorbed much. I too have the deepest respect for the ancient tribes of Israel, aboriginal peoples and native Americans. They taught me the importance of living in harmony with nature and care for future generations.

bureaucratic nannying ... a natu-ral balance. Have you any plans for changing it? At Dixons we do it differently. Our writ runs to pay-A recent Environmental Investigation Agency report catalogued the rape of native forests by mo-"Life and work seamless" — that is truly nonsense. Our role is to create the means, not impose the nopolistic multinationals like Mit-subishi, Hyundai and Georgia Pacific. Virtually all logging for export in India, Laos, Cambodia, Thailand and the Philippines is illegal. That's the jungle law of the ends. Anita, our differences may not

free market -- monopolistic and your scattered thoughts. I believe al. Happily, the Body Shop Шe stakeholders share my concerns. in a focused, rational approach in We know because we surveyed them last year. Why don't you ask your staff what they think (always which man has it within himself to improve. But it needs a reasoned acceptance of the real world. Might I suggest to you that Margaassuming they're employed by you ret Thatcher would be a better role for longer than a week)? Yours. Anits Roddick

PS By the way, unlike Mrs Thatcher, I believe there is an alternative, so we don't tilt at windmills, we invest in themi

Dear Anita,

YOUR opening attempt at self-analysis is remarkably precise. To get closer to your wavelength, I have read a copy of your 1996 accounts - somewhat arch and pretentious, presumably to disguise a rather poor performance. You boast of travelling around the world 17 times in one year (all expenses paid, in a fuel-hungry aeroplane?) perhaps non-stop, considering the incoherence of your etter.

Your attempt to monopolise the 'caring" market fails. I also care but in an ordered and studied manner, not merely based on public relations geared to selling my products. The random lumping together of cultural heritage, be it Jewish, ab-

original, or native American, in support of your arrogant posture shows an offensive and appalling ignorance of the distinctive nature of separate beliefs. Your cliché-ridden response is disappointing, albeit predictable. Let me pose you a quiet question - can't you accept that your frenetic, self-righteous approach may not always be the best way to draw attention to issues that actually concern us all? By the way, you tell us in your Stanley

the stakeholder challenge and welcome the debate it creates about their broader social role? Yes or no, Stanley? Yours, Anita Roddick

Dear Anita,

YOU ask for clarity and I'm happy to oblige. Your failure to view stakeholding with any discrimina-tion is indicative of the lack of coherance you bring to the debate. You are a master of the broad and sweeping generalisation. We are asked to believe that everyone, be they Jews. aborigines. Indians. churchmen, trade unionists, even the Prince of Wales, is in agree ment with your views - an intellectual promiscuity one can only describe as breathtaking. You can only claim blanket an

dorsement of your position be-cause you never spell it out. The problem with stakeholding is that it means everything and nothing. It is a buzzword with no definition. One interpretation of stakehold ing involves a massive increase in legislative control: heavy-handed bureaucrats stifling the entrepre-neur. Is this what you want? Key exponents of stakeholding would force all company chief executives to retire after a maximum eight years; you have been in your job since 1976.

At Dixons we are not governed by abstract theories but simple common sense. I'm passionately concerned about my employees, they share in our success. In the final analysis, the consumer is king and we have millions of satisfied customers.

After almost 50 years in busi-ness, I am now told I've got it all wrong. I am labelled a cynical totem of the business establishment. You ignore the empirical evidence and, like some fevered tele-evangelist, tell me I convert to stakeholding. I must decline your invitation. Although I too have vision, I am an idealist without illusions. Yours ever,

tained in Carroll's writings. The opening of Jabberwocky, for instance, is founded on a series of anagrams reflecting the author's

morbid preoccupations. Decoded, it reads: "Bet I beat my glands til/ With hand-sword, I slay the evil gender./ A slimey theme; borrow gloves./ and masturbate the hog more!" A sequence from chapter XI of Wonderland contains a hidden message: "We plot how to kill dirty women, knife to throat If I find one street whore, you know what will happen! Twill be 'Off with her head!'

There are several more equally irrefutable proofs, most of them . unrepeatable. And no more far-fetched, may I say, than some of the work which shows Shakespeare was written by Bacon.

AVID GINOLA's wonderful goal for Newcastle against Ferencearos, which I heard a BBC reporter the next afternoon equating as a great work of art with the Stabat Mater of Pergolasi, came a trace too late for Michael Henderson of the Times, who had he known what was coming might well not have written the previous weekend of this player: "No one needs reminding that he [Ginola] kneels at the shrine of Thespis ... the English are not greatly impressed by second-rate boulevardiers."

I can't by the way understand why so much time has been spent debating whether Glenn Hoddle should drop Gazza for the match with Georgia: and, if so, whether he shouldn't also logically drop a host of other malefactors. I shall cut through this whole controversy at a stroke with a simple suggestion. Hoddle should pick for this and all other matches an England team composed entirely of saints. I do not mean by this select-ing Southampton en bloc (Southampton are known as the Saints) since their team-sheet shows that they're currently sporting players called Lundekvam, Van Gobbel, Ostenstadt and Berkovic, all of whom I take to be foreign. Every one of the side which I recommend is qualified to appear for England (except perhaps in

some cases in terms of ability).

Here is my line-up: James (Liver-pool); Charles (Villa), Martin (Ori-

ent), Daniel (Walsall), Thomas (Liverpool), Matthew (Burnley), Gilbert (West Bromwich Albion),

Otto (Charlton); Joachim (Villa),

Ferdinand (Newcastle) and Fran-

cis (Birmingham City). Subs: Pope (Crewe). Bishop (West Ham), Dean

(Bournemouth), Archdeacon (Car-

lisle), Prior (Leicester C), Priest (Chester) and Angel (Oxford).

They would play in the formation favoured by Hoddle, with three de-fenders and two winged-backs.

I concede at once that this side

may have problems in central de-fence, since Alvin Martin, though

appears to be foreign as well. Some may find the unknown Pope of

Crewe a surprising selection; but

sources at Gresty Road tell me that he's infallible.

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playing as well as ever, must by now be 73. Unfortunately the tal-ented Newcastle defender Albert should, perfort

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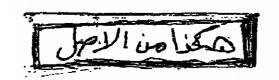
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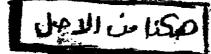
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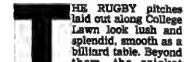
Genado

even your alluring offer of coconut shaving cream would be an inadequate alternative. Does the greater good versus the lesser evil argument have any appeal to you? It is reassuring that "journey-ing" gets you closer to reality. The jungle ought to have taught you something — the market economy at its purest, no offsetting state or



Kage inside the ivory tower

It is open warfare at a top private school after poor league table results. **Jim White** reports



splendid, smooth as a billiard table. Beyond them, the cricket square, roped off for the winter, lies in the shadow of a vast Vic-torian pavilion, a sort of junior St Pancras station. Brooding over everything, at the top of the fields, is a muscular Gothic hall, the motto "Labor vincit omnia" cut into the stonework over its huge oak doors: Work Conquers

Everything. These are architectural meta-phors for what Cheltenham Col-lege offers to the world: stability, tradition and prestige. These were the qualities that attracted Lindsay Anderson to use the place as the backdrop to his 1969

Daily Telegraph national school league tables. After the last round of A-level results, College, as everyone calls it, had dropped from 147th place to 205th, relegat-ing it to the third division. In an increasingly competitive market-place, when prospective parents choose schools by addressing the league tables, such a decline, Far-row suggested, could not be tolarated.

row suggested, could not be lolarated. There was another thing. While Wilkes might be a dedicated schoolmaster — Farrow went fur-ther, calling him "brilliant" — that was not only what was needed. Nowadays the college required a businessman, a chief executive, to head its "dynamic business plan for the 21st century". At the following school assembly, Wilkes informed the pupils he was to leave at the end of the academic year. It was not his choice, was the euphemism he used.

year. It was not his choice, was the euphemism he used. Within minutes, pupils were on the phone to parents. Within seconds, parents were on the phone to each other. "We couldn't understand what was going on," says Celia Hicks Beach, whose son Freddie, 15, is in the GCSE year. "We thought there could be no smoke without fire. Which was Wilkes fiddling: the books or the boys?"

boys?" The next day a photo-copied let-The next day a photo-copied let-ter was sent by Farrow to all parents, its brusque three para-graphs giving nothing away of the decision to drop, the pilot. Gradm-ally parents began talking, gossip-ing, using whatever contacts with the governing body thay had to scratch out information. And what they discovered was that there was absolutely no sugges-



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At the climax of If . . . **Maicolm McDowell** machine-gunned the entire governing body. The word around Cheltenham **College once more** is Revolution

> Turning the tables: Malcolm McDowell and Christine Noonan in If. . . Below, the leafy quad of Cheltenham College today



meeting. The other two dozen closed ranks around the presi-dent, unwilling to talk to the

Significantly, only one member of council has a pupil at the school. The rest are largely businessmen (Sir Michael Perry, the former chairmen of Unilever, is one), former servicemen (Gen Sir John Waltars, former deputy Su-preme Commander of Allied Forces Europe is another) or edu-Cational professionals (Hugh Wright, chief master of King Ed-ward's School, Birmingham, is a third). There is, therefore, no input from the consumers. Nor, unlike state schools, is there any legal requirement for there to be

In the absence of any candid statement from the governors (when contacted they preferred to hide behind talk of confidentiality) it is possible only to surmise their position. But it seems to be bis: Peter Wilkes was prepared to take pupils of lesser ability and help them develop; the governing body was anxious for a sharper alection procedure to push the school up the league tables. In short, with the extra competi-tive light shed by tables (and the huge glare thrown by the academic success of Cheltenham Ladies' College over the road) the governors took the view that there is no commercial place for a school which is happy to cater for Tim Nice-But-Dim. Basically they wanted to cull the children who were only going to get C and D at A level," said one parent. "It seems to me they regard the whole purpose of A levels as being a method to better the reputation of the school rather than honing the potential of the children of fee-paying parents. The council keep wittering on about the 21st century. "Parents are not paying £12,000 a year for that. We are paying for this year and next. Surely as a customer we have the right to respond to important decisions and to have our views respected." Indeed if there is a business strategy at work in Cheltenham, it appears to be a thoroughly British one: in the pursuit of staying viable in a new market, you lose

sight of your existing one. At the moment the distance between the two parties seems insurmount-able. Last Tuesday, the school council haid a meeting and de-cided that none of its members Would resign such description members

would resign and, despite paren-tal opposition, the decision to

"The attempt to force us to resign is constitutionally and practically deft, says one member of council who declined to speak on the record. "Besides what can they do?"

they do?" This is the rub: ultimately, parents only have one sanction as consumers, removing their chil-dren. But most would be loath to disrupt their education by trans-

Marring them mid-stream. "Well, no, we do have some power," says Keith Douglas. "The governors should remember that the greatest ambassadors for collage are the parents. When some one makes a decision about choose ing a school, they m ht well look

In the chaotic climax of that film, its star, Malcoim McDowell, raided the Combined Cadet Force stores and machine-gunned the entire governing body at speech day. Now, nearly 30 years on, the word echoing around the drafty quads and high-ceilinged halls of Cheltenham College is once more

From the outside the buildings suggest this is all one could wish for in a school. Yet, over the past three weeks parents have discov-ered that, for all the privileges it bestows, one thing which paying £4,320 a term out of taxed income does not guarantee is a say in how the school is run. And they are furious. In a town which has become a synonym for a certain brand of English conservatism, radical action is being

demanded. The problem began on October 11, a Friday, immediately after a grand service to mark the centenary of the school chapel. With a sense of timing and tact the parents claim is characteristic, Nigel Farrow, president of the governing council, sought out the headmaster, Peter Wilkes, and fired him.

The problem was, Farrow told him, the college's position in the

the sacked head teacher. Like a football club manager, he had gone simply because of league results.

What none of the parents could understand was the summariness of the dismissal. As far as they were concerned Wilkes was a fine headmaster; open, helpful, courte-ous, respected by all the pupils, responsible for engendering an at-mosphere in the school widely described as remarkable. "When-ever you picked up the phone to call someone in the Common Room to talk through a problem, you found them immensely help-ful," says Keith Douglas, whose daughter is in the lower sixth. "You know why this was — all institutions take their lead from

the head." In 1994 the last Headmasters Conference inspection report on Cheltenham was full of praise, lit-tered with phrases like: "the unatered with phrases like: "the una-nimity of positive impressions gathered is striking"; "real excel-lence in many areas is not hard to find"; and "all abilities are ca-tered for so that each pupil achieves his or har own best standard." Indeed, this year the college earned the highest GCSE results in its bistory. mon room."

in its history.

"If things have slipped," says Mark Hicks Beach, Freddie's clear we parents were a damned nuisance.

father, "then surely you get together, talk to the headmaster, talk to the heads of department, sort it out. You don't sack a man who has the respect of every parent and member of the com-

So the parents started grouping, forming a committee (until now the school had no PTA) to seek contact with the governing body. And what they received instead was silence.

"Bloody rudeness on occasions," says Mr Hicks Beach. "Several governors made it quite

Parents were particularly in-censed when Air Commodore Atherton, secretary to the governing council, was quoted on the local television news mocking parents for "behaving as though they were our customers." On October 25 Mr Hicks Beach

coordinated a parents meeting in the school hall. "I'm not normally like this," he says. "I don't usu-ally even turn up for parents' day.

I pay my fees and expect them to get on with the job. But it seemed to me in this instance, they just weren't doing the job."

Governors were invited to the meeting and, though six were in college at the time, none attended. Over 500 parents, however, did. The mood was vociferous, angry even, and a vote was carried overwhelmingly for a strongly-worded motion demanding the reinstate-ment of Wilkes and the resignation of the governing council; the rift between the two had become so wide, the one could not happen

without the other. Over the next couple of days, two councillors did resign, one of them hinting that the decision to fire the headmaster had not been taken at a formal governors'

at the league tables, but they will also talk to parents and ask them what the place is like." With no movement on either side, when the college resumes after half-term next Monday it

will do so in an atmosphere heavy with resentment. And at the centre of an unholy row which is all over the local press at a time when parents are registering their children for public schools

"It worries us greatly that this issue may be damaging College," says Keith Douglas. "But at the same time we are not going to give in. We believe they have treated us with contempt. Council has created this situation and they must resolve it." This week, in Hallfax and Man-

ton, the state sector has been wrestling with the problem of who runs its schools: staff or unruly yob pupils. In Cheltenham, parents able to afford it assumed their money had bought them escape from such problems. It seems they have encountered their own - what is more important at a private school: the customer or

the league table? Across the country head teachers, governing bodies and fee paying parents will be watching Cheltenham and wondering.



Mum's no longer the word,

Jon Snow, left, should watch out, **Henry Porter** says. He's nobody's favourite son after criticising his mother when she was down

Mother-son relations are never easy, as the Queen and Lady Thatcher well know



'He should, perhaps, attack the age and not the individual'

Snow said in a letter to the Guardian last week about his brother Jon Snow's contribution to a collection called Mothers And Sons.

cause Mothers And Sons. Although we have no knowl-edge of relations between the Snow brothers, it is difficult to disagree with this judgment when you learn that their mother lies senseless in a hospital with Alz-beimer's disease, and that a huge part of Snow's chapter is spent ex-plaining his own failings by a careful description of hers. The first question is why Snow,

a highly-respected and successful newscaster, has not walted until his mother's death before publish-

to fix his mother's reputation in the eyes of the world. However

These things, he implied, ex-plained his difficulty in forming close relationships as an adult. well-written and touching his eesay may seem, it is still at base as act of compelling egotism. Physical affection between parents and children is crucially But perhaps we should not be surprised because the whole drive of modern psychotherapy and important, and the idea of sending small boys to boarding school outmoded and foolish, but the spec-tacle of these successful and privia modern psychotherapy and counselling has been to encourage people to shift responsibility for their own lives to their parents. We are taught that the only true much to bear.

way to grow up is to renounce their influence and to see ourtheir influence and to see our-selves, in a state of permanent recovery from the parental yoke. This instinct was seen in Jona-than Dimbleby's biography of this

ing His, two brothers have equal shares in Mrs Snow and yet he bas made a pre-emptive strike form the position of his celebrity early dispatch to boarding school. There was their own coldness or simple fallparents' fault. Thus they are an rested in a bleak state of pubes cent complaint - neither adult nor child. Perhaps I have been lucky in

my parents since they gave me a sense of humour and optimisim and also the palpable idea that they were not perfect and nor was I. This is one way for the genera-thors to view each other. An altertions to view each other. An alter native is for children to become impossibly self-centred and ag-grieved, and their parents dread-fully hurt.

It is as much a question of tolerance and a realisation that being a

gined difficulties. Jon Snow surely understands now that at the time he was growing up, demonstrations of love between parents and children were far less common than today. He should, perhaps, attack the age and not the individual

Obviously Snow had a much more miserable childhood than I experienced and so I find it difficult to condemn him outright. But there is another dislikeable aspect to this - the idea that to be open or brazen about personal history signifies political integrity. There is the sense of self-pity in

Snow's description of his mother and a cloying demand for our at-tention, which I suspect has as much to do with his celebrity as that he has a "hatred of the subju-anything that happened to him at gation of women that probably

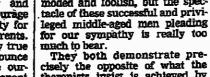
Winchester Cathedral Choir School or at home. Plainly he feels that he never met his father's muscular expectations and was often the butt of his brothers' jokes. As we know, these things last into adulthood and propel people to success or failure. In Snow's case, it seems to be the former.

And yet he has lowered himself by giving an eerily dispassionate portrayal of the onset of his moth-er's dementia in which he has no regard whatsoever for her dignity. For the cause of that particu-lar cruelty, Jon Snow should look nowhere but into himself.

The motive does not sit well with his liberal values. He admits

still doesn't quell a capacity to subjugate." I would guess that in some curious way, he has used Mothers And Sons to exact a final revenge on his own mother — a subjugation, if you like, in which he knows she cannot spring back from the advanced stages of Alzheimer's to tick him off.

There can be no greater ego-tism, but of course Snow will blame that on his mother too. What he forgets is that he has a choice in this, for there is a moment in every life when childish things are put away and individ-uals begin to take responsibility for themselves, knowing full well that they have arrived at a point where they are what they are despite or because of their parents. It is called adulthood.



They both demonstrate precisely the opposite of what the therapists insist is achieved by type of confession. Rather than forgetting the distress and imagined slights of childhood, parent is fraught with unima-

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eted from 87,000 in 1993 to 134,000 in Hey brother, give 1994. Father Jose Luis Angulo, Silos's present choirmaster, says his patience is exhausted. Standing in Sllos's magnificent double-tiered

cloister, he points at the sculpted capitals. They touch them and breathe all over them," he says in a tone suggesting sacrilege. Reports began to filter back that Canto was being used in discos, even as background music for porn movies. The monks were sent a sample of EMT's marketing in the States. A fiver packaged with the CD urged, "Get your CHANT Monk-Habit Brown Hooded Pullover, Long-Sleeve 100% Cotton T-Shirt for only \$19.95". On the front was the word "CHANT", with "Angel", EMI's classical-music trademark, beneath. The market-

ing men had even got their colours mixed up, confusing Franciscan brown with Benedictine black. That should perhaps give food for thought to the Benedictine brothers of Downside Abbey near Both, who have just released an album of Gregorian chants called The Abbey, and to the monks of Glenstal Abbey in Ireland, whose Faith Of Our Fathers is now sit-

ting at the top the Irish charts The Silos monks began to resent The Silos monks began to resent what they saw as crass commer-cialism. A media trip to the monastery, organised by EMI in Madrid, was spolit when the bus got lost and arrived too late for the sung mass, which was to have been the centrepiece of the outing. (The monks politely refused a request to re-run the ceremony.) For their part, many journalists For their part, many journalists lost interest in the monks when they discovered Princess Diana's brother was in their midst. working for an American TV crews.

Eager to follow up its success, EMI put out another Silos recording, Canto Noel, aiming for a sec-ond yuletide bonanza. The monks, who say they were not consulted, were dismayed to find more than half the pieces on the new CD were not Christmas chants at all, but belonged to the Easter liturgy. The misuse of sacred music purely to produce another boliday hit upset hem more than anything else.

There has been endless speculation about Silos's earnings from its venture into pop. The newspaper El Pals reported that the monks received 100 million pese-tas (about 2500,000) from EML Rafael Gil, until recently head of EMI in Spain, says that was "a wild guess" and too low, but would not be drawn on the true amount. Father Jose Luis says Silos virtually gave away its rights when the chant was first recorded. The rights to the material on the first disk of Canto Gregoriano, he said, were granted to Propaganda Popu-lar Catolico, the non-profit-making Catholic organisation that helped make the recordings in the early seventies. The monks had a contract for the material on the secand disc that yielded a small snare (probably two to three per cent) of the wholesale price. Silos record-ings put out later by EMI were based on the old contracts.

After the Canto Noel disappointment, Silos decided to try another recording company and signed a contract with the French firm iade. Two new CDs. El Alma Del Canto and Ave Maria, have been released, using material that dates back as far as 1958, and several more are planned before the end of the year. Despite Silos's deal with Jade, Rafael Gil Insists EMI has a good relationship with Silos. The company has just released the second volume of The Best Works Of Gregorian Chant, and has an option on future recordings from the monastery, according to Gil. Father Jose Luis and his abbot, Father Clemente Serra, confirm that relations with EMI are equable. So where do the disaffected choirmasters fit in? Ismael Fernandes de la Cuesta and Francisco Lara, who have both left the monastery, claim they should have been paid for their artistic input into the chant recordings. While they accept that Gregorian chant itself is in the public domain, they believe their arrangements and direction played a vital role in the recordings' success recordings' success. The lawsuit could set an impor-tant precedent, says Clifton J Williams, director of the Sintonia music company's publishing divi-sion, who has been preparing the choirmasters' case. "We are deal-ing here with the whole area of traditional music whore arrangers traditional music, where arrangers and musicologists have never been

it some (cojones!

DEEP Inside Santo Domingo de Silos is the music room, with its sophisticated sound system and cork-lined walks. It is here that the monks listen to their own music and the work of their "competitors". A cupi houses two rows of Silos's CDs and cassettes, and gold discs hang everywhere.

Looking at all these trophies the question begs to be asked: Why Silos? There were already many recordings of Gregorian chant on the market when its

sick telly androme

double-disc took off. Silos's abbot, Father Clemen Serra, has a simple explanaion; it was "one of God's little jokes". The true reason may be the lusty Spanish character French Benedictines tend t sing in a sweet, almost effeni-nate way; German chant is usually more vigorous but less mysterious; and English chant is often marred by poor acoustics, Silos has marve coustics and Spanish monk

ing in a full-blooded way. "They chant con cojones

comments the director of a British choral group. The phrase means "with balls".

he says. "The fact is, no arrange ments are necessary. The chant is melodic: the voices sing the same song at the same pitch." Until Canto Gregoriano, the

sums involved in recording this kind of music were so small that no one thought it worthwhile challenging the record companies. But Silos's success has changed all that. With pop-star-levels of status and income involved, it is perhaps not surprising everyone wants a plece of the action. Silos itself has escaped becoming

embroiled in the lawsuit. But it has no shortage of other problems. The monastery has not made any new recordings since 1982; nor will it be able to do so without fresh blood. Only a handful of those who made the original recordings remain; the most prominent are Father Jose Luis and the abbot himself. The community's numbers are down from around 60 monks in the fifties and sixties to 38, several of whom are too old or unmusical to be in the choir "We try to maintain the style," says Father Jose Luis. "We practise and so forth, but the raw material in not the same, the volces are old and rusty."

While the popularity of chant has greatly increased the number of visitors to Silos, it has yet to fill the empty cells, "For a vocation to be authentic," says Father Jose Luis, "it must be a lot more profound than fame. If comes for that reason, he doesn't last long. A lot of people come here to run away from something. That's no use. You have to come here in search of something."

El boom, as Father Jose Luis calls Silos's recording stardom. may eventually become al bust But if a time comes when the

SHOOTING STARS



Up... Plucked from school at the ate age of 12 to be on TV tough life, eh? — the angelic laddle McFadden struts his stuff in Taggart and passes six tartan-tinged years Taking The High Road. Small Faces, a gem of a film from Gillies and Billy Mackinnon, depicts the trials of two Glesga brothers in the sixties. The elder slbling was Joseph McFadden,

Away... This Monday, BBC2 begins its dramatisation of lain Banks's The Crow Road. McFadden plays Pr entice McHoan, whose earch for his missing Uncle Rom unravels a 30-year family history and constitutes a spiritual voyage for the roung hero. It's bound to be big: the ant. blackly comic Banks finally hits the screen, with a high-flying prodigy in the starring role



Going ... Micro-stardom in Neigh-bours; mega-stardom in the world of cheesy teeny pop; macro-stardom in the West End revival of Joseph And His Uncommonly Garish Overcoat. Can anything spoil the delirious ascent of this blue-eye Aussie idol?

Going ... How's about suing The Face magazine to within an inch of Its life? Irked at the playtul inference that he possibly could be --- whisper it - homosexual, the blonde croone of Too Many Broken Hearts broke a bank balance or two (and incurred the wrath of his gay fans) in a nasty tiff with the style Bible.

Gone Leatherhead, 1996: Donovan relaunches his serious acting career. His crazed psycho in Emlyn Williams's Night Must Fall gets a West End transfer. Surely, a second bite at celebrity looms? Er, no. Revited and lampooned by critics and audience alike --- the Indepen-weeks early.

Making Monkees of themselves

What is it with monks and showbiz? They're number one in Ireland while in Britain the Benedictines are hoping for a Christmas hit. But the story of the first frock 'n' roll superstars suggests they'd do better to take a vow of silence. John de St Jorre reports

T COULD have been a fairy tale. A group of holy men whose lives are governed by the austere rules of St Benedict - prayer, work, silence solitude - decide to share their music with people outside the monastery's walls. They make some recordings and the music sells slowly. Eventually they stop recording, their numbers are dwin-dling, their voices failing. No one seems interested in the monks or their music any more: Christianity in on the defensive and monasti-cism is struggling to survive.

Then a miracle happens. A fairy godfather in a distant city takes some of their recordings, digitally remasters them and puts two shiny new discs in a box with an attrac tive cover. Suddenly, all over the world people of all ages, many of no religion, are buying the discs.

Millions of copies are sold around the world, a pot of gold materialises, the church is full on Sundays and festivals, hundreds of thousands of people visit the monastery. There is talk of a reli-

There the fairy tale ends for the monks of Santo Domingo de Silos In central Spain. Their choir is in decline, their way of life has been threatened, and the choirmaster who directed and arranged Canto Gregoriano — Gregorian Chant — are suing their record company

for millions of dollars. At first, all seemed to go well. After releasing Canto Gregoriano in 1994, and seeing it become a huge Christmas hit with EMI, the monks agreed to put out more albums, again culled from their recording archive. Canto itself

sold more than six million copies. Then began the conflict between God and Mammon. As the media and tens of thou-sands of tourists flocked to the monastery, the monks began to feel they were under siege. Paparazzi were found climbing trees, trying to snap the monks in their quar-

ters, Requests for a share of the spoils poured in: for schools, for orphans, for the homeless, for the disabled, for cathedrals in need of restoration, even for people get-ting divorced with no place to live. Viattors to the monastery rockintellectual property" Gil, who headed EMI during Silos's success, will have none of that. "The cholrmasters never claimed copyright 30 years ago when they made the recordings," about their not-so-ordinary lives.

monastery's choir sing only for themselves and those who stand before them in the chapel, they will at least have ensured chant's survival. They have popularised a form of music that traditionally had limited followings in Europe and the Americas and was virtually unknown elsewhere. Today, record stores around the world carry a broad range of Gregorian chant, from Benedictine monasteries, from church choirs, even from convents.

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A SINGLE bell tolls across the trozen Castilian countryside. The lights go on in the monastery's chapel and two dozen black-robed monks enter in pairs, bow deeply to the altar, and separate to take their places beside the chancel. This is the eighth and final time on this cold day that the monks sing together as they worship their god and celebrate their community. The tourists are gone and the

hostel guests, clustered in the front nosel guests, clustered in the front pews, are dwarfed by the towering nave. Father Jose Lolo caresses the keys of the organ and the voices rise and fall. As the service ends, the monks leave their stalls, form pairs again, their hands folded under their robes, and, still chant-ing, walk down the central aisle. The lights dim and they leave the church by a side door that leads past the sepulchre of Santo Domingo into the medieval clois-ter. While the legal battle over their music continues in the courts of distant Madied these ampli

of distant Madrid, these small, humble holy, ordinary men go

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gious revival and hopes of a new wave of monastic recruits. Not so much King Tut as THE TOILETS) King Tat. In the way that Ringo Starr put drumming back pre-Gene Krupa, so Preslev mired his musical genre. He ain't nothing but a sound

dog, relying more on visual appeal as his pelvis thrust itself around like loose chisels in a sack. Celebrations for the 20th The Mississippi-born Ten-nessee strummer will be hallowed by record re-issues, festivals of his movies, televisual analyses: a rags-to-riches story that resembles the spangles he so often sported glitzy at first but then rusted with the sweat of excess.

Provocations

considered regal, nay holy, by

of a trash culture that stalled

rhythm 'n' blues in repetitive chords and lugubrious vocals.

Elvis is gone, says

Tom Hutchinson.

Now can we please

The King

is dead -

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forget him?

land is the vast mansion Presley N THE country of the deaf the occupied, a palatial necropolis outside which worshippers still genu-flect. You thought Liberace was kitsch? Here are the garish interi-ors of fluffy retardation, where one-note man is King — and it is a degrading experience, for those who are not hard of hearing, to live under such a monarch. So why don't we flush residual wax from our ears and proclaim a banality is made live and manifest And this is the grail to which folrepublic away from the memory of lowers aspire. Elvis Presley? For the burger-ballooned hulk

Towards the end of his manipu-lated life. Presley looked like the living dead; now, zombie-like, he millions of worshippers — still reigns after death, a bloated icon lurches among us as hundreds of Elvis imitators, the use of his name in baptisms, the absurd reports that he still lives somewhere, anywhere. At Easter we

COLLAPSED UNDER THE WEIGHT

might expect him to rise again. A foretaste of horrors to come is He lives as legend, but why? an American double CD-Rom Contemporary fame is a strange called Virtual Graceland, Gracething that, too often, nails its subject to a media-constructed cross. This is what happened to Presley, "a white man with the voice of a

black", who was bent and twisted by manager and agents into a peculiar, passionless sex-object, a role model for those who wouldn't know how to spell the words. The Sunday Times 1,000 Makers Of Cinema describes him as "one of the most successful figures in the history of showbusiness" but doesn't attempt to explain why, apart from noting that he was the urvivor of twins, implying a dou-

11 way point of melancholy. After 1969 his career bombed in bits and pieces all over the place and, like other

> gorged hamburgers and drugs, and died in his fabulous bathroom: Howard Hughes in blue suede slippers That bathroom, a throne-

shown on the CD-Rom. Perhaps he still accumulates adoration because, unconsciously, he made himself an enigma and the ultimate dream of deliverance from the servitude of his class and his station in life. Buddy Holly had humour, but he started out nearer the top of a crapulous heap. He, too, died young but he is nowhere near the earle presence that Elvis Presley still is. Presley's grip is that of a dead man's hand stiffened into rigor mortis. Let us break the clasping mediocrity that still damages what we listen to.

Feel sorry for him, certainly, but throw off adulation. He fed his annetites too obnoxionsly, like too many other royals. The only saving grace is that he started out with none of their privilege.

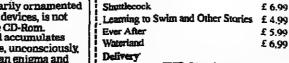
His voice was mediocre when compared with other hillbilly blues belters, and his films - apart from Flaming Star - were dreadful to the

American headliners who get going when the going gets tough, he became reclusive,

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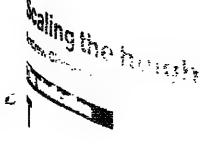


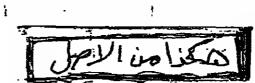
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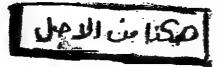
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WWHY must hospital dramas be so grim? Why, in this brave new era of sponsored programming, isn't there a slot for an uplifting serial about the private health sector? "Happy Hospital is brought to you by Bupa, caring for you whatever the governbrought to you by Bupa, caring for you whatever the govern-ment's NHS policy." That kind of thing. "Ab, Mrs Smith, your nose is looking delightfully retroussé. Now, perhaps some Dover sole for lunch? And our "94 Puligny-Montrachet is actually quite drinkable..." ordinaire NHS drama. It's about three student nurses and their gritty struggle to make successes of their work and lives — a stab at an Angels for the nineties. "This hospital is about bottom of every league table there is," says the stressed nurse manager. Isn't that always so? Casualty, Cardiac Arrest, and now this show, all depict public hospitals in extremis. The suspicion remains that these are nonethe less placebos for health workers so that they can recognise their travails on screen without

anything real changing. Staying Alive opens with a nurse taking a cocktail of pills. A student nurse walks out after an unbearable day on A&E. The stressed sister resigns because of bureaucratic duplicity and underfunding. No wonder that the Gilmore hospital is nick-named Killmore by those in the know. It ends bleakly with one nurse's husband, a stereotyped violent thug, prowling the grounds waiting for his wife. They can't call the police, because he is the police. Every emergency service. in television drama, is cracking up. After you with the Diazepam,

nurse. This miserable realism is undercut, as it nearly always is

WAVE RIDING

ANNE KARPF

in hospital drama, by sentimen-tality, "I feel so stupid," says the attempted suicide once they've pumped her stomach. "So you should be," says her Caring colleague, "Yeap "So you should be," says her caring colleague. "You promised to help me with my palliative care assignment." Aaah. That warm glow you're feeling is something more than the anti-depressants kicking in. The realism is also dilnted by infectious if presumptuous optimism. "The job may be crap now but it'll be good again." says Sister Coulson, pulling on her coat for the last time. As Coulson walks out, she smiles slightly at the student nurse slightly at the student nurse holding the hand of a patient with a haematoma. It's the old, heartening story: the wise elder, the attentive initiate, bat-tling the evil forces of

accountancy. Nash Bridges (Sky 1) is old-fashioned and disheartening, a new vehicle for Don Johnson about some elite crew of maver-ick detectives — the usual guff that supplied the organising theme for The Professionals, The Sweeney, not to mention The X Files. It's so seventies that it cries out for a <u>sidekick</u> with a belted cardigan. It even had that aged standby, the San Francisco car base diving Francisco car chase, flying motors shot from below as they negotiated tarmacadamed rerrace

Don Johnson's career has been going downhill since he pulled his jacket sleeves off his forearms and they turned off the MTV-soundtrack for Miami Vice. But he plays his new role just the same. He's a worldweary eccentric, adored by everybody — even his second wife, meeting him to sign the divorce papers, can't resist pelvising Nash to the bar and giving him a long snog. Motivation is throughout subsidiary to implausible spectacle.

Nash Bridges's mistake is to think that the cop serial is a species that appeared in the seventies, and has changed lit-tle since. Natural selection — think Hill Street Blues, think Homicide --- has disproved that, but this show continues as though its dated verities were eternal. It's only medical seri-als that are not obliged to evolve. And yet, it ends with that device deployed regularly even now by cop shows. The camera pulls back from the hospital window: Nash is framed at the bedside of his wounded partner. We have been here many times before, and surely, until this shotgun mar-riage of sentimentality and realism proves irksome, will be again. Credits roll.

teen interest in clothes, favouring pricey designers like Massimo Osti. No doubt the orange anorak he wore at Shepherd's Bush Empire was some Shepherd's Bush Empire was some chichi number costing more than he used to make in a week. That didn't stop it looking like it had come from Prince's Quay, the hulk-ing null that dominates Hull. Heaton's inability to look like anything other than a 35-year-old Variabilitation on his way to the Sensational Women, about Victorian women "sensation" writers, arrived brandishing its

chief device --- getting writers of modern potbollers to assess Yorkshireman on his way to the pub is crucial to the Beautiful South. While Britpop celebrates oldsters worthy of interest. In youth and arrogance and jazz-funk

The letdown

have rock stars that look and speak

eractly like them. Fortunately, they don't sing like them. Heaton's angelic voice and gift for songsmithery make his not just a classic English band but the SSOCIATES say that The Beautiful South's Paul Heston takes a champions in the Stingingly Bitter Lyrics Division (they not only get drunk down the Grim & Dirty Arms, they write about the bar-maid). The most bewitching tunes inevitably turn out to contain cou-plets like "She'll grab your sweaty bollocks and slowly raise her kose/ Don't marry her, fuck me". Even those "nabobs of social realism,

Pulp, aren't up to those standards. Heatron has claimed that if he hadn't become a pop star he'd have been a football hooligan, and co-vocalist Jacqueline Abbott already was a checkout girl when she binned Comme don't when she

at number one but The Beautiful South week to the best reviews of their are lousy live, says Caroline Sullivan SEVED-YEAT CATCHE

Not that the Beautiful South have become fashionable. Perish the thought — what would they do the thought — what would they do with the "Northern Scam" Tehlits that sell by the crateload at their gigs? They are unlikely ever to be trendy because gritty North-ernisms are only attractive when refracted through the art-student eyes of your Jarvis Cockers. And the South collude in their own uncoolness. If the Sheffield-born Heaton had ever had designs on hipness, he hardly would have moved to Hull, where the band defiavily remain to this day

defiantly remain to this day But while their lack of preten-tions works for them on record, it works against them onstage. Let's get this straight — The Beautiful South live experience is supremely boring. Even in an intimate venue vocalist Jacqueline Abboit already was a checkout girl when she joined. Groups don't come more with them, they're the least rivet

ence, personality or any of the qualities that distinguish a good live band. Heaton, Abbott and third

sion of their local, traipsing around and smoking, drinking and chatting. As leader, Heaton occasionally attempted to impose order but was as guilty as the rest of treating it as a rehearsal rather than a show. What, the paying pub-

beautiful songs beautifully sung, but it does. Abbott was particularly vaxing, being equipped with the best voice and the least notion of how to accentuate it. Her renditions of Rotterdam and Everybody's

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The Heaton's off: "Even in an intimate venue, where you'd expect to feel an anoraky oneness with them, they're the least riveting act since INXS' PHOTOGRAPH: HENRIETTA BUTLER

Zipless anoraks Charts making it 1994's top CD. Its successor, Blue Is The Colour, want into the chart at number one this part of the act. Nor is stage pres-Fans would no doubt rejoinder Their new album may have screamed in

lead vocalist Dave Hemingway act like backing singers, except that real backing singers would have been far more glamorous. They treat the stage as an exten-

lic are here? Oops. Their schleppiness shouldn't have detracted from the sound of

Talking were sung like a hired hand and she refused to move from

with Wembley Arena next spring? Fans would no doubt rejoinder — wrongly — that the BS's job isn't to put on a Vegas revue, it's to play music. That they did, and well. For a man who smoked right through the set, Heaton's voice was remark-ably pure and expressive. He was a

ably pure and expressive He was a choirboy in Sta-Prest slacks on a new ballad, Blackbird on The Wire, and a deft complement to Abbott on the marriage-break-up duet A Lit-tle Time. As for Hemingway, third among equals, he lolloped about and contributed the low vocals that bottomed out the affortless three-part harmonies. Only a persis-tently cranked-up bass guitar kept the music from being, well, music to one's ears. Maybe they really do regard this tour as a rehearsal for their forthcoming arena jaunt. By then, maybe they'll be doing Motown dance routines and pulling rabbits out of hats. But if this was just a rehearsal, at the this was just a rehearsal, at the very least they could have bought

us all a drink.

Sex with Auntie

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USED to think that there should be more set on radio until I listoned to Set Lines (Radio 5 Live). This new four-part series on "the second set-ual revolution" opened with an interview with a man sporting a rise to note worth a path. giant paper-mache pails, whose partner was seen to appraise us of the fact that "my boohs are showing". The couple were swingers who visit sex dis-cos to spice up their otherwise monotonous sex lives. In reality they sounded like characters from a Mike Leigh play - you half expected Alison Steadman to play one of them.

It got worse. We had the woman from Relate with her needs-speak about women and sex, and the man running the listings magazine for attached people who want a bit on the side, both of whom confirmed the hypothesis that those who are professionally connected with sex are opically dull, and that erotics you can purchase is intrinsically unerotic. Worst of all was presenter

Jenny Eclair's commentary, full of the glib, the slick, and the terminally breezy. "Fidelity is becoming the sexual equivalent of anorexia," she proclaimed. Excuse me? No wit or new notions: instead, all the old pronouncements laid end-to-end. "Is the new ladess a media -IS LEE DEW Indess a mema myth?" asked Eclair. "Are we becoming more cynical or more sophisticated?" Is Eclair capable of writing a sentence of commentary which isn't a ques-tion? There was just one point when my whole body tingled, my heart-beat quickened, with a surge of pleasure. It was when the programme ended.

the event, the first programme on Mary Braddon (who man-aged to rear five children dur-ing a bigamous marriage and a prolific career) worked beauti-fully, blending biography, his-tory, and lit crit with skill.

Radio 4's new series

their predecessors - which seemed to betoken a certain

lack of confidence, as if we

might not otherwise find the

Sally Beauman drew atten-tion to the discipline required in writing novels for periodicals in instalments, while presenter Sarah Dunant made a strong case for Braddon as a thrillar writer and social observer equal to Wilkle Collins and Dickens.

Dunant retains some of her Late Show tics, but they're matched by her ample and lively intalligence. Braddon will have gained herself a whole new set of readers.

David Edgar, on the other hand, last week lost himself a Hetener. His new radio play *Talking to Mars*, commissioned as part of the Radio 3 hirthday celebrations, was another state-of-the-world piece, set in a radio station broadcasting propa-ganda to Bastern Rurope. I count myself reasonably competent in picking up the drift of a radio play, but it took me around 20 minutes to fathom who was saying what to whom, where, when, and why, and frankly I never really cared, in this thinly-animated debate

about ideology. Richer by far was The Tymeside Oycle (Radio 4), six short plays broadcast live from a Newcastie theatre. In the first the ghost of Tyneside past interrogated the present — the shipyard culture versus the Metro mall, a recurring theme Metro mall, a recurring theme of this poetic, elegiacal, and angry sequence. Behind it all lay the powerful brooding pres-ence of the shipyards, whose stealy sounds, acrid smells, and ability to cohere a community were as lovingly recalled (and mourned) as any rural utopia_ Some of it was too wordy, some sentimental, and none particu-larly radiophonic, but the sense of time and place so precisely summoned paradoxically made it sing a universal song.

celebrates yuppiedom, the Beautiful South calebrate the silent majority in Heaton's group the distressed-denim-wearing masses

earthy, and they've been amply rewarded, the 2.2 million sales of the compilation Carry On Up The Pheromones might as well be an raises the question of why she

a corner near the curtains. When At Town and Country, Leeds, Monday; Heaton dragged her centre stage, she fidgeted unhappily, which Glasgow, Barrowlands, Tuesday; Ulater Hall, Belfast, Thursday; Olympia, Dublin, Saturday.

Michael Billington on a Death Of A Salesman that puts America on trial Dreamon, sucker

The classic

IES OR truth? Dresus or reality? Which do we live by? It is the great question that resounds through modern American drama: O'Nelli, Miller, Williams, Albee, Shepard all supply different answers. But although it would be fascinating to see the National Theatre tackling one of its other manifestations, David Thacker's Lyttelton revival of Death of a Salesman captures the poetic quality of Miller's attack on a corrupt, venal system.

on a corrupt, venal system. I can't improve on Harold Chur-man's original analysis of the play in 1949. He argued that the histori-cal American dream had been based on ideals of hard work and courage. Post-1900 that was dis-toried into the down courage. Post-1900 that was dis-torted into the dream of business success: in particular, the fraudu-lence of salesmanship. The tragedy of Miller's hero, Willy Loman, is that in becoming a salesman he suppresses his real persona. Ultimately he is destroyed by the ideology of the deal. Miller's point is political as well as personal: indeed is still highly topical at a time when the ideal of salesmanship is so embedded in American life that it determines Presidential elections. The funda-

Presidential elections. The funda-mental truth at the heart of Miller's play makes one overlook its obvious faults: that we never, in contrast to Mamet's Glengarry Glen Ross, see Willy Loman at work and that the downfall of his son, Biff, hinges too obviously on the discovery of his father's infidelity. But the virtue of Miller's play is that it uses a finid, dream-like form

sent, from the battered red Chevvy to the suspended bed containing his Boston mistress. The slowly revolving stage gradually brings each object into focus: even the central tree with its fractured trunk seems to symbolise the crucial split in Willy's personality. Allowing for variable American accents, the acting is also good. Alun Armstrong as Willy with his

the look of a man who has driven too many miles for too many years in pursuit of a deal. The one ele-ment missing from his perfor-mance, discovered by Dustin Hoffman and Warren Mitchell, is the false, line-shooting perkiness of

But Mark Strong is a fine Biff, steeped in the aura of failure, and there is authentic American sup-port from Colin Stinton as Willy's cruelly myopic boss, for whom a tape-recorder is as much an execu-tive toy as the latest computer would be today, and from Shane Rimmer as Willy's sympathetic neighbour. It's a well-staged revival that understands how Miller's social realism melts into the frame-

social realism mens into the trans-work of a dream. Reality and fantasy also merge in The Gay Detective, written and directed by Gerard Stambridge which Dublin's Project Arts Centre have brought to the Tricycle, Kil-burn. It is a lively film-noirish when a shurt a spatne way Dublin Hapless hero ... Alun Armstrung as Willy, obsessed by 'the deal' piece about a young, gay Dublin cop who, assigned to investigate the death of a politician outside a to convey Willy's evasion of reality.

Incel sauna, uncovers a sinister network of high-level corruption. Odd details may be implausible. But Stembridge uses fast-develop-ing action to make his intellectual And that is what comes across strongly in Thacker's production and Fran Thompson's highly imag-instive design. The elements of Willy's past are all eternally prepoints: that Ireland's new-found tol-erance conceals residual anti-gay prejudice, that the death of a rent-boy is considered unimportant compared to that of a politician. One is persuaded because one is enteriair

Death Of A Salesman is in rep at the National Theatre, London (0171-928 2252); The Gay Detective is at the Tricycle Theatre, Kilburn (0171-328 1000) until November 30 baggy suit and receding hair, has

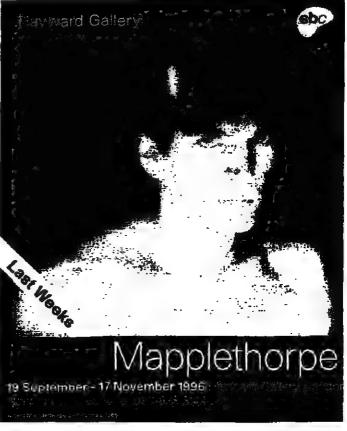
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Scaling the heights

Andrew Clements salutes a brave, if mixed, Ring

The vindication

HE last of the Royal Opera's three Ring cycles ends tonight, when Bernard Haitink conducts Götterdämmerung. Whether or not we will over get the chance to see Richard Jones's fascinating and infuriating production again remains an open question. With closure of the Opera House imminent, there seems little chance that any of it will come back into the repertory

before the millennium, and by then, one guesses, there will be a clamour for a brand new Ring. If that turns out to be the case, then thanks for the memory There then thanks for the memory there is no bigger challenge for any opera company than to mount a complete Ring. Perhaps that is one-reason Jones' production has aroused such strong feelings, for and against; there are those who respond to its excursions into black humour, its countless pay-chological perceptions and unremittingly block, unsparing

those who are scandalised by its seeming irreverance, its steadfast unwillingness to take the work as an inviolable icon to be be revered rather than interpreted. When Fricks, Wotan's wife, arrives in the second act of Die Walküre in a clapped out old gas-guzzler to deliver her lecture to her husband on the laws of marriage and fidelity, the audience last week burst into laughter. The scene is one of the turning points in the cycle and there were some who thought that humour was inappro priate at that point. The rest of the scene, and the point of Fricka's homily, were delivered with deadly seriousness, yet the masse had

view of a world destroyed by

Wotan's ruthless ambition, and

been created in susceptible minds: was Jones sending the whole thing up and, more worryingly, sending up their own view of Walkure and its sacred status? Was he threatening their personal artistic beliefs? Jones's production and Nigel Lowery's designs are uneven, no doubt about it. But Covent Gar-

den's decision to ask Jones and Lowery to work on The Ring with Haitink should be saluned, for it signals the highest levels to which

opera in this country aspires. Janes, together with the Ameri-can David Alden, are perhaps the most gifted of this generation of -radical opera directors whose work is regularly seen in Britain. The radical production styles that began in the theatre in the post-

war period soon crossed over into opera, where they flourished and have become a lingua franca in a way that the straight theatre in this country at least has always resisted, for commercial reasons as much as artistic ones. The result is that to see the most innovstive theatrical work in London at present one should go to the opera. Whether one agrees with

everything Jones does with the Ring is in the end probably irrele-vant. But what should be recognised is that, in presenting such a view of one of the greatest of all operatic masterpieces, Covent Garden has lined up on the side of opera as an evolving, challenging art form, not as some kind of outdated dramatic museum



RH HICGERVS

The Age of Dürer

German Renaissance Prints from the British Museum

1 November - 15 December

National Gallery of Scotland, The Mound, Edinburgh

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Newmarket with TV form

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Winning collection...Ellens Lad, with Pat Eddery up, lands yesterday's Equity Financial Collections Nursery at Newmarket PHOTO: TOM JENKING

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Racing One Man for a winning return

Chris Hawkins

TTH the Flat season wearing a tired look, principal interest today centres on One Man's reap-pearance at Wetherby in the Charlie Hall Chase.

Richard Dunwoody rode a winner at Bangor yesterday but gave up his other two rides because he was feeling the effects of food poisoning but expects to be fit to partner One Man this afternoon. One Man, after looking a machine in some of his early

races, failed to come up to ex-pectations in the Cheltenham Gold Cup when the demand-ing track and three and a quarter miles seemed beyond

comes to getting from one beating in this last year.

Danoli impresses over fences

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DANOLI, Ireland's most Although he is entered in successful debut over now that he has shown he is a chaser we will probably stick at that." fences at Clonmel yesterday. Ridden by former Brit-ish amateur champion Philip Fenton, Danoli took the lead four out in the Lonmake his seasonal debut until the King George VI don Heathrow Captain Christy Beginners' Chase to score by six lengths. Tom Foley, the gelding's trainer, said: "I am happy that we have this first one out of the way without any real problems. We will take it one step at a time now.

Ascot (N.H.) with TV form

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9.30 Storm Alert

3.40 Strong Pre

3.05 Tap On Tootak

A fine jumper on fast ground, Young Hustler loves side of a fence to the other, there are few finer sights than this spring-heeled grey. his racing and no chaser works harder but he has no So although only four go to post today's race should still be worth watching. Taking on One Man are Scotton Banks, real pretensions to the top clas Neither in my view does Neither in my view does Scotton Banks, although his supporters will no doubt point to his 15 lengths defeat of Barton Bank in the Martell Young Hustler and old rival Barton Bank, winner of this

Barton Bank, winner of this event last year and fourth in the Gold Cup. Barton Bank likes a cut at his fences and often treats them more like hurdles but as a mature 10-year-old he should be learning a more measured approach. He was no match for One Man in the King George last is in good heart there is no Bank's poor jumping through-out and he virtually walked up the run-in after another bad blunder at the last. Provided One Man (3.25) is in good heart there is no

Man in the King George last season, being pulled-up when having no chance, but got some sort of revenge when just over eight lengths in front of him at Cheltenham. is in good heart there is no reason why he should not return with a victory but I would not get carried away. Brilliant as he can be there

Young Hustler divided the pair in the Gold Cup and has At this stage one would not be optimistic about him doing any better in the ultimate test this season but, when it this season but, when it

seems to be a flaw somewhere in his make-up. Adrian Maguire goes to the meeting for Barton Bank but has excellent prospects on has excellent prospects on

three other mounts for David Nicholson — Penrose Lad (12.50), Potters Bay (1.20) and Hill Of Tuilow (2.20). Nicholson also sends Storm Alert (2.30) to Ascot with a good chance in the United House Construction Handicap Chase.

Storm Alert failed to win last season but dropped in the weights as a result and meets Big Matt on 23lb better terms for a neck beating in this race Mr Mulligan may not last year — the pair finishing second and third behind

Chase at Kempton on Box-ing Day. Firm ground has held back plans for the eight-year-old, who reeled off four novice chase wins before finishing second to Nathan Lad in the Sun Alli-ance Chase at Cheltenham last term. NGK Spark Plugs Selling Stakes should suit her ideally.

Egypt Mill Prince. At Newmarket Princess of Hearts (1.30) has a fine chance. She was just touched off over seven furlongs here last month and the mile of the

Kelso (N.H.) 9.90 Ph 3.00 Bas de Laine 1.30 Astarctic Win S. S.S. Mish

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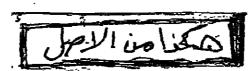
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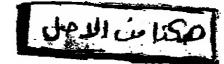
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Wounded Lions suffer whitewash

Andy Wilson In Christchurch

REAT BRITAIN'S troubled tour of New Zeal and ended in humilia-tion with defeat by a record 20-point margin that completed a 3-0 series whitewash. Terry O'Connor, the British prop. spoke for the whole team when he said: "I am embarrassed. I don't want

to be remembered as part of the first team which did not win a game in New Zealand." Yet Phil Larder's insistence

that the players should be spared criticism was more than the empty gesture of a losing coach.

The spirit of this Lions party was symbolised by their captain Andy Farrell, suffercaptain Andy Farrell, suffer-ing from serious leg and side injuries and requiring pain-killing injections of such strength before the game that the team doctor refused him a further jab at half-time. Yet the 21-year-old played for the whole 80 minutes. "It got to the stage," he admitted after-wards, "where I could hardly lift my leg."

wards, "where I could hardly lift my leg." New Zealand have proved under their own inspirational captain Matthew Ridge to be a fine team, but Great Britain would back themselves to beat the Kiwis with a fullstrength side, especially at

through to give New Zealand a lead that they extended to 20-6 at half-time through two home. Robbed of seven first-choice tourists for a variety of reasons, they performed close to their maximum in the first Test in Auckland, when they dominated the first half and retained a healthy lead until the sixth tackle and fired a

the controversial sin-binning of Adrian Morley. They also led for a large part of the second Test in Palmerston North, although this time there were no come

55 yards to the posts. Then another moment of Goulding invention backfired as he tried to hand-ball his own chip to his half-back partner Karle Hammond; this time Timu gathered the ball and linked with Ngamu, who sent Szen Honne over this time there were no complaints about the 18-15 defeat. Rowever, they went into this last Test with Farrell, Bobbie Goulding and Stuart Spruce all requiring injections and Alan Hunte, Daryl Powell and Kris Radlinkski defying medi-

sent Sean Hoppe over. The Lions responded admi-rably early in the second half and lestyn Harris, surpris-ingly dropped to make way for Hammond at standoff, made and the high run from And they scored first, Denis Betts claiming his third try of an outstanding personal series by exposing his Auck-land Warriors team-mate Marc Ellis on the blindside on the sight tackle Dut to the made one jinking run from left centre only to ruin it with to crash over betw

• Great Britain's Academy side also suffered a 3-0 whitewash at the hand of the Junior Kiwis, who beat them 37-36. But the British youngsters fought back from 36-18 down in a 13-try thriller be-

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a pass to nobody. But Harris made amends with a wellthe sixth tackle. But their only realistic chance of avoidtimed short ball that allowed his fellow substitute Morley ing the whitewash disap-peared as they were unable to hold that lead for more than three minutes. The right-wing pair, Radlinski and Hunte, missed their first tackles of the series for the property en the posts. Spruce kept the Lions eight points behind and in contention with a remarkable cover tackle on Ngamu, but it was a the series for the powerful centre John Timu to score temporary reprieve as the Auckland stand-off, who ex-erted an increasing influence near the posts. New Zealand did not score again for 20 minutes but there erted an increasing influence on the series, worked a scrum move for Hoppe to step inside more tired British defence for his second try. Ridge buried British hopes with a 67th-minute try, hold-ing off four British defenders, but then marred the score with a display of the less at-tractive side of his game as he taunted Hammond and Powell. was no doubt they were the more dangerous side. The scrum-half Stacey Jones eventually did the spadework for his side's second try with a searing midfield break that forced the Lions back on to their own line. The defence showed a first, worrying side of tiredness as the right cen-

Powell, who announced his rowell, who announced his international retirement be-fore winning his 33rd cap, lashed out physically at Ridge and verbally at the touch judge and the Australian ref-eree Stephen Clark. He was the hund and then sin-binned and then sent off but returned for the last two minutes on the advice of the fourth official.

fourth official, NEW ZEALAND: (Auckland unless risied): Ridge (cantorbury, Aus), Effec (Canberra), These (Cantorbury, Aus), Effec (Canberra), These (Cantorbury, Aus), Kearsey, Smith (N Causensland Cowboys), Subattistessa & Swann, Vigana, Sickform, L. Swänn, Orstärt Stritalli Sprace (Bradford) Orado (S Helens), Radialad (Wigan), Pewell (Keighley), Mather (Perth): Hannerad (S Helens), Cooliding (Si Helens); Breadbeat (Shaffield), Cunsingham (Si Helens), Goolding (Si Helens); Breadbeat (Shaffield), Cunsingham (Si Helens), Cooliding (Si

S Clark (Aus).

fore Scott Nixon's 75th-minute drop goal proved decisive.



All Betts are off ... the Lions' hard man finds his way blocked by two determined Kiwis PHOTOGRAPH: VICTORIA MATTHERS

NATIONWIDE LEAGUE

Langer back in groove

Michael Britten In Hong Kong

BERNHARD LANGER earned the chance to extend his record of 17 consecutive seasons with at ast one victory here yesterday when he shot a second-round 67 in the Alfred Dunhill Masters.

His nine-under-par total of 133 at Fanling, where he won the 1991 Hong Kong Open, gave him a share of the half-way lead with New Zealand's Peter Devenport, Taiwan's Hsieh Yu Shu and Korea's Park No Seot Celly Number Park No-Seok. Colin Montgo-merie, the European No. 1, had a second 69 to be five shots behind.

shots behind. Langer's last victory, his 34th in Europe and the 46th of his career, came when he beat Barry Lane in a play-off for the European Open title at Dublin's "K" club 13 months ago. But this year he has struggled on the greens, both in the United States and Europe, where he finished 39th, his worst position since his first win, in the 1979 Euro-33th, his worst position since his first win, in the 1979 Euro-pean Under-25 Championship. The German, who has twice beaten the yips with his wrist-gripping putting method, confessed he was again afflicted and, in desper-ation turned to the long. ation, turned to the long-handled club at the Lancome Trophy in Paris in September. This week, clasping the shaft to his chest, he achieved a highly acceptable return of 12 birdies in his first 36 holes.

Langer's principal problem now is not the grainy greens, but the unexpectedly fierce heat and humidity for this time of the year. "I am much happier putting a sweater on than sweating all day," he said. But his concentration wavered only once, when he blocked his drive into trees at the 13th.

Elsewhere his iron-play was accurate enough to earn four birdies in the first 12 holes, and another at the 16th. where he was down from 12

feet. "It is late in the year but it would finish on a very posi-time note and give me back tive note and give me back my confidence if I could win this weekend," he said.

Seve Ballesteros looks as though he will have to wait a bit longer to enjoy similar solace. A double bogey at the short 15th, where he pulled a five-iron tee shot almost out of bounds, pegged him to a 70 and left him eight shots behind the leading quartet.

succeeds Gary Hethering-ton, the Eagles' founder, who left the club this week to become chief executive

ain's Maurice Bamford, Malcolm Relly and Ellery at Leeds. Larder said in Christ-Hanley before succeeding church: "Sheffield are one of the real success stories of Hanley last year. of the real success stories of rugby league and I am proud and honoured to ac-cept the position." He succeeds his own as-sistant in the Great Britain camp; Hetherington filew home and honoured to ac-sistant in the Great Britain camp; Hetherington filew home and honoured to ac-sistant in the Great Britain camp; Hetherington filew home and honoured to ac-sistant in the Great Britain camp; Hetherington filew home and honour ac-sistant in the Great Britain camp; Hetherington filew home and honour ac-sistant in the Great Britain camp; Hetherington filew

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Soccer

Dalglish scouting rumours at Ibrox

Patrick Glenn

ENNY DALGLISH. the eternal enigma was at the centre of another puzzle yes terday when it was reported the head of a new pan-Euro-pean scouting network at lbrox. that he is to join Rangers as

The speculation followed Daiglish's appearance in Glasgow on Wednesday as the guest of Ian Skelly, a Rangers director. It was suggested that the club's chairman David Murray and the former Liver-pool and Blackburn manager had not reappeared for the second half of the Champions

Murray dismissed the report when he said: "I watched the roles with which the former Scotland international has econd half of the match from been associated

a box. I did not speak to Ken-ny Dalglish and I did not offer him a job. Graham Taylor and Joe Royle were at the match. Have they also been offered jobs here?" By lunchtime, Walter Smith, the Rangers manager, was calling the report "specu-lation" and refused to com-ment further. Later, Murray was unavailable and therefore could add nothing to his earlier statement.

Dalglish himself was not available to answer ques-tions, but if the job descrip-tion is accurate --- that he will scour the Continent for out-

All previous speculation over his future, linking him with managers' jobs at Manchester City, Hibernian and Rangers themselves, has proved groundless. Murray, however, has been saying for some time that Rangers will be restructured with a view to joining a European league. The Ibrox chairman believes such a set-up will be in place by the year 2000. If Daiglish were to be of

fered a job that gives him the opportunity to help build a team without the daily involvement of management, he could well be interested. But League match against Alax League match against Alax because they were discussing details of the proposed link. Early yesterday, however, be among the more feasible pects will remain guesswork.

Ginola homes in on Metz

which has paired Newcastle United with the French all about now. club Metz. can provide his winger David Ginola with that, while they were a very good team last season. the perfect stage to relaunch his international career.

to find that form this sea-Ginola remains a favourson." They are currently ite in his native country. despite his exile from the French national squad, and is certain to prove the main the league. attraction on his return to his homeland for the first leg on November 19.

eegan. who is hoping the England striker Alan Shearer will have recovered from his groin opera-

stadium will prove a 27,000 sell-out. The club's president Carlo Molinari said: "New-

EVIN REEGAN be-lieves that the Uefa leg. said: "David will have most dangerous club we cup third-round draw, the chance to show the could have drawn. I have could have drawn. I have no doubt that they are future champions of Eng-French manager what he is land and they have great at-"I have already spoken to him about Metz and he says

tacking potential." Newcastle are now rated second favourites behind Internazionale to win the cup, but Molinari added: "They do have weaknesses they have been struggling and we intend to exploit them. We are capable of languishing in 12th spot in Metz, who defeated Sportbeating them; it's not beyond us."

ing Lisbon in the last round, believe the first leg at their Saint-Symphorien UEFA CUP: Thin Hamburg Econdbu (Ger). Ten ite (So)

Metz (Fr) v Newcaste, Club Brugee Schalke 04 (Ger), Internazionale Boaveta (Por), Valencia v Besidae (Tur) (to be played Nov 19 and Dec 3).

Aberdeen include the Ice-landic midfielder Haraldur

Ingolfsson, signed from Ak-

Van Hooydonk's pain a relief in Aberdeen

With the Portuguese striker

Patrick Glenn

the second of Celtic's four goals, but it has limited his ABERDEEN's goalkeeper Nicky Walker and his felmovement since. low defenders may have felt that a persistent ache had been relieved yesterday when they learned that they are unlikely to face Pierre van Hooydonk at Celtic Park today.

The big Dutchman, leading the Premier Division scoring charts with 10 league goals in nine appearances, has not om the i

Jorge Cadete also still absent, Celtic are without their two ranes until the end of the sea-son, and the Under-21 internamost potent forwards for a detional David Rowson, who manding fixture. It is likely yesterday signed a new fourthat Paolo di Canio and year contract. Rangers go to Raith strengthened by the return of Simon Donnelly will now form the front line. Celtic's manager Tommy

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four players - Gascoigne, Gough, Moore and Cleland -Burns, keen to buttress a midwho all missed the Champifield weakened by injuries to

Ajax because of suspension. But three who did take part ---

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Well, last Saturday the

giants came a-calling and, in-stead of wreaking their ex-pected havoc, they were sent away with a large flea in their

Of course, one giant-killing act counts for little: York City

are still struggling long after beating Manchester United. But at Southampton there are

will presage a permanent ele-

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The Guardian Saturday November 2 1996

Pour out the pity for poor United Soccer Diary

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Martin Thorpe

OGS with two tails Come nowhere near. The happiest beings on the planet at the moment are the people who hate Manchester United. Boy, are they pushing the gloat out after the champigloat our arter the champ-ons' 10 days from hell. First, an independent Geordie brewer called Di-eter Elwood was on his way

home from St James' Park a week last Sunday when inspiration struck him with the impact of Newcas-tle's fifth goal: he decided to brew a celebratory ale called Five Nil, black with a creamy head.

Only 20 barrels were pro-duced and most was quickly drunk. The last of it went on sale at Morpeth's Tap and Spile pub — in Manchester Street.

Incidentally, the video of that game is selling 35,000 copies a day nationwide, outstripping Jurassic Park

(15.000). After Newcastle came United's hell at the Dell, which Gillian Shephard was going to describe as six of the best until John Major intervened. Three days later Manchester City fans were heard chanting: "When the Saints, oh when the Saints, oh when the Saints start scoring six, I want to be in that number'

And then came United's Fenerbahce flasco, which prompted Mark Vevers from Sale and Aiden from Mitcham to ask: why is Peter Schmeichel like a potato? Because he is easily

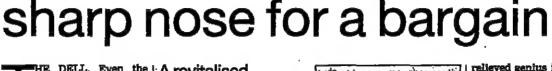
All in all, Jeremy Hawthorn from Liverpool sug-gests a suitable film title for United's nightmare month would be: The Hunt For Red October. diminutive Berkovic showed both perception and power against United Met HEWITT The Saints bless Souness's

EARD on Radio 5: Rangers are pointless in Europe. Very true.

HERE used to be only one Ravanelli in Middlesbrough: Roger Raven-elli. Now the 36-year-old

Durham University lecturer finds himself forever

relieved genius in Southamp-



nell, has an interest in Tony Rougier, the Trinidadian at sustained last weekend in a challenge from Willie Miller, Raith Rovers. It is unlikely. Laudrup, Robertson and however, that Rougier will Shields — are doubtful for the the Hibs defender. The damage, done in the

switch clubs until next week, trip to Stark's Park. second minute, did not pre-

TEAM SHEET

Aston Villa v Notim Foresi

The scaleoper Mark Portest out for a month so Villa bring back Michae O live. Garoth Southgale (ankla) and For nando Nelson (hamkling) face (times) tout for and Steve Staunton (hamkling) face tout for a hour that Staunt Portor (back with tour but the inacting scorer Yew) Campbell (hamilting) and anklei and Core Bari-Williams (thight are still out.

Dorby v Leicester

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Loods v Sunderland

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while the midfielder Steve Agnew (ankle) and the striker Niall Outins (knee) are still sidelined Lee Howey is set to come in for the banned contro-half Richard Ord. back Wast Ham's striking options ar reduced by injuries to Paulo Futhe an Porin Raductoru and the full-back Mar Bowen is also doubtui. Manchester United v Chelsea

Wimbledon y Arsen

United are likely to reshullle their pack with Ole Gunnar Sofskjaer III ely to return to the starting kno-up and Jord Cruyff and Karol Poborsky set to step down. Gary Palister has had surgery on his trouble-some knoe injury and will be out for around five weeks David Lee's broken jag foldes an immediate skil for the th-span Wimbledon, who will go top it they secure an eighth win in mine games at the ca-pense of the current leaders, are still with-out the detender Brian McAllister but Arismal secting a such win in serven games, are consident that lan Wright clear signs that one of the club's most famous victories croates an immediate stat for the M-again Frenchman Frank Lebbeul in the Chelsea line-up. Erland Johnsen and Michael Du-berry are acts in contention but Glaniuca Vialli (call) is doubtful. igroini wili be fit. Nigel Winterburn (k should take nis place in detence bu midfielder Remi Gardo (groin) is doui ce but the TOMORROW

Sheffield Wed v Southa

Wodnoeday s municipal David Pleat may recall Ritchie Humphroys and that could much disappointment for David Hirst II he passca a littless lead on an Achillas tendon problem. The detender Dejan Stotatowic and the midioidor Wayne Coulins have been ruled out. The former England goal-homour Christ Woods could face one of his former cluba after joining Southampton or lean from Colorado Rapids The detender Ken Nankou (call) is it sigain

Tottenham v West Ham

Ruel Fox (thigh) is doubtful for Spurs but

time manager, the purchase of a host of un-Southampton-Stackburn v Liverpool like quality players and the Colin Hendry is set for a surprise return for Blackburn four weeks after a groin op-eration and the strikers Chris Sutton and Kowin Gallacher are ready to rejoin the squad Uverpool's Roy Evens, chasing a swenth win in eight Premierahup games, is likely to resust a defensive reshutike. imminent green light for a new stadium fit for the milnew stadium fit for the mil-lennium show that the Saints his fourth game for Southare marching to a new tune. For now, though, Graeme Souness is tapping his con-

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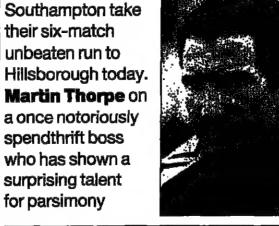
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ductor's baton on the music stand. "We musin't get car-ried away," he says. "By beating United everyone assume Southampton are going to take the Premiership by storm. We can't let that hap-

pen because it will just go to the players' heads. One result doesn't mean they are the best team in the Premiership, We've got to follow it up." But how refreshing it must feel at Southampton to have expectations to dampen. And though the proper time to judge the Souness revolution is the end of the season, he was yesterday voted Premiership Manager of the Month after steering the team to a six-game unbeaten run. The quality of the win over

United proved that the once-profligate Scot has adapted to tighter purse strings while redressing his Liverpool image as a purchaser of dud players. He has procured, for



The sharpest thorn in Alex Ferguson's backside last Sat-Against United Berkovic scored with what were basiurday was Eyal Berkovic, a cally his first two shots for the club.

tiny 24-year-old Israeli inter-national who scored two goals mendation for £150,000. The Norwegian international striker Egil Ostenstad scored a hat-trick in that ampton. He cost just £1 milgame. He was signed for only 1900,000. Once Souness de-cided he did not fancy Neil Not that Souness discov-ered this mobile, quick-Shipperley, he went for Os-tenstad, who had then scored footed, frail-looking ball 24 goals in 25 games for Viplayer through some exten-

king Stavanger. Ostenstad is direct, two-"Seven years ago I was on holiday in Israel sunbathing footed, quick but stocky and team. on the beach and got bored," he says. "So a friend and I strong. "He's a typical Vi-king," says Cooper. "You wouldn't want to meet him up a dark alley."

went to a game and we saw this boy in midfield and were very impressed. Fve kept an eye on him ever since." Adds Sourcess: "Egil fin-ishes as well as anyone I've Soumess invited Berkovic for a trial beside a colder sea seen for ages. I've played with some good strikers and he's up there with the best." He was invited for trials in

and, swallowing fears that he might be too frail for the Premiership, signed the 37-cap wonder. "I haven't seen anythe summer along with the 6ft 3in Tore Andre Flo of Brann one like him for a long time," says the manager. "He sees Bergen, brother of Jostein but better on the ground. The pair body else does. As a passer I was never in his league." have played together up front for Norway. But while Souness bought Ostenstad, Flo's club are reluctant to sell the Berkovic really drills his passes but according to Sou-£1.3 million-rated player ness's No. 2 Terry Cooper he was reluctant to translate while they remain in Europe. Souness will need patience, but meanwhile says: "Tve got that power into shots. "When be first arrived we were a player to sniff out the goals in Ostenstad, someone to put players through in Berkovic and I've got Matty." And I've got Matty." game: "This is the beginning Ah, Le Tissier, the most of a great adventure."

being asked: "Are you helped lift the pressure," says the scorer of nine goals this season, yesterday voted Prerelated?" Roger, of Italian and French ancestry, is not, but miership Player of the Month.

as a Boro fan is amazed to This new firmament also find his namesake in his includes Souness's No. 1 town. "Of all the European transfer target, the Dutch inclubs he could have chosen ternational defender Ulrich van Gobbel, whom he origihe chose mine." he savs. The name is the only com-

nally signed for Galatasaray and has brought to the Dell for £1.3 million. mon denominator. Roger gave up playing football after school and though he Alongside him in a threesays some people think he looks like Fabrizio, they man defence is yet another Norwegian international, must have had shirts over their heads at the time, for Claus Lundekvam, whom Souness spotted playing for Brann when he watched Flo. Roger is shorter, fatter, dark-haired and wears Composed on the ball though still hesitant in the air, he glasses.

He would, though, be precost just £400,000. And the depared to share one trait. "I fensive bargain of the lot must be Richard Dryden, wouldn't like to be Ravanelli," he says, "but I would plucked from Bristol City like his money." reserves on Cooper's recom

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There have been other HE Spurs fanzine Cock-a-Doddle-Doo has been buys: two wingers, Robbie Slater from West Ham and press-watching: "Players Spurs were 'linked with' Graham Potter from Stoke, since the last issue" two months ago: Trevor Sin-clair, Richard Rufus, Neil Ruddock, Danny Dichio, both for £250,000, while on Thursday Souness's old Rangers goalkeeper Chris Woods joined on loan, which means there is now competi-Leo Fortune-West, David Hannah, Ian Woan, Les Fer-dinand. Slaven Bilic, Danny Griffen, Carl Asaba, Robert Taylor, Darren Peation for every place in the And the bill? £4.2 million spent, but £3.2 million recouped from the sale of Richard Hall, Tommy Widdrcock, Warren Barton, Luca Luzardi, Pascal Simpson

Jesper Blomqvist, Petter Rudi, Anton Pfeffer, Pascal Simsen, Andreas Anders-son, Emmanuel Petit, Alain Goma, Taribo West, Chrisington and Shipperley. And there is still the £4 million Sourcess was originally given to spend on players. But caution remains the watchword. "There is nothing tian Ziege, Florian Mau-rice, Graham Le Sanx, Sean quite like defeating Manches-ter United," says the vice-chairman Keith Wiseman, "but it is the same three Dundee, Wolfgang Feier-singer -- and since then

there has been Enzo Scifo and Ramon Vega. Quite a points as anyone else and if you don't go on to win further matches it diminishes in sigteam. nificance. We do need a

HR fanzine also reveals that Ruel Fox was longer perspective." But even he admits: "It has certainly woken up the city. recently stopped for speed-ing. However, he was let off They really feel we could be heading for a better period." with a caution because it was a first offence. Or as Berkovic put it with a flourish characteristic of his

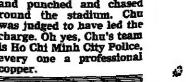
HE Vietnamese interna-tional Chu Van Mui has been banned for life for leading an attack on the referee at last month's domestic cup final. Mui's Thap in the televised cap

The referee was kicked and punched and chased round the stadium. Chu was judged to have led the charge. Oh yes, Chu's team signed the Derby defender ENGLAND UNDER-21 (Y Georgia, is Ho Chi Minh City Police, every one a professional copper.

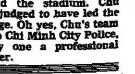
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team went for the referee as the final whistle biew on their 3-1 defeat to Dong until he reduces the wages The Arsenal midfielder final on October 6.



FOLLOWING the fire that destroyed part of Arsenal's training ground, a joke has being doing the rounds inside the camp: it



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************************* Nominal proof that a fair-to-middling talent can cross the widest of rivers, this son of Carluke enjoyed as varied career as any footballer could wish for.

He began with a ton, and then wore white and red either side of the Pennines before trying his luck in Lombardy. A city where gentlemen come in pairs then beckoned, canonisation followed, and he ended up playing among creamy aperitifs. Last week: Denis Smith (Stoke

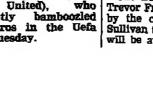
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Performance of the week: Faustino Asprilla (New-

consistently hamboozled Ferencyaros in the Uefa Cup on Tuesday.

Grimsby split with Laws GRIMSBY TOWN yesterbill.

Brian Laws and put the youth David Hillier yesterday com-pleted a £250,000 move to Portsmouth and Wycombe coach John Cockerill in temporary charge for tomorrow's iome game against Sheffield United Kenny Swain, Laws's Jason Kavanagh on loan.

No. 2, will remain at Blundell Grimsby are third from bottom of the First Division and

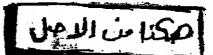
suffered a 3-0 home defeat against the bottom club Oldham on Tuesday night

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The Birmingham manager Trevor Francis has been told by the club's owner David

Sullivan that no more money will be available for players

amazed at the way he took people on and beat them out of sight but then just laid the ball off." They had a word. ess than the cost of one Nick Barmby, four well-priced internationals to form the backbone of a smart new team. **A N Other**



Gooch sets his cap at Illy's chair

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RAHAM GOOCH has made himself favourite to succeed Raymond Illingworth as chairman of England selectors by announcing that he would be prepared to end his playing career, a con-dition that would surely be imposed by the England and

Wales Cricket Board when it comes into being in January. And David Graveney, who had been the 43-year-old former England captain's closest rival for the post, withdrew yesterday after conceding that the England post could conflict with his role as secretary of the Professional Cricketers' Association.

Gooch was a selector while playing for Essex last year and had expressed an interest in taking over the chairman's role next season. Now, by spelling out his readiness to end an illustrious first-class career that goes back to 1973, he has given the clearest poss-ible statement of intent.

Yesterday Gooch admitted that he had long mulled over the decision. "I am contracted to play for Essex next sea-son," he said, "but I would

have to give the matter seri-ous thought if I was ap-proached to be chairman of

selectors. I don't think it is possible both to be a player and serve as chairman." Richard Little, media rela-

tions officer for the Test and County Cricket Board, admitted that Gooch would cer-tainly be a strong candidate when the shr-man England management committee an-nounces its decision next March, a month before the

new season starts. "Two further members have to be elected to the new committee, which won't be in place until the England and Wales Cricket Board comes into heing in Leaner in side into being in January," said Little. "But the general view is that a chairman of selectors is that a chairman of selectors will not be appointed until the spring. We would want him in place by then because the chairman is crucial to the choice of the other selectors." Gooch also received the backing of the PCA after it had decided not to endorse any application from Gra-veney because of an antici-

veney because of an antici-pated conflict of interest, with areas such as discipline likely to set particular problems for a man who was, as the associ-

a tion's vice-president Tim Curtis said, "the servant of two masters". He added emolliently that "David has the greatest respect of the majority of play-ers whose views ware cought"

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Four wickets for defiant Giles

SHLEY GILES defied | made a seemingly impre-Athe heat in Tamworth to underline his Test sive 238 for six off their 50 overs. Michael Bevan hit 79 credentials and prevent a and Michael Slater was 53 New South Wales XI from not out. The 16-year-old Shahid Afridi (66) and Saced An-war (84 not out) helped Pakistan thrash Zimbabwe establishing a commanding first-innings lead over England A on the second day of their tour match.

"I was very fired in the final session," said the Warwickshire left-armer, three-match series. The who took four for 79 in 27 overs as NSW reached 215 for five. They had earlier wrapped up England's in-nings in three batis without addition to the oversight

score of 155 for nine. Giles reduced the home side to 47 for four but Scott Thompson (78 not out) and Graig Glassock, with an un-beaten 56, added 113 in 146

home side romped home in 28.1 overs after Zimbabwe had been bundled out for AURO A CVCPS, AURO A 22 y SHGLANG A Brot makes (overright 185-6) D W Headay b Presdman P M Such op b High States P M Such op b High States 195 in 49.1 overs,

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Dale of the Valleys ... McIntosh has settled so well in Wales that he may yet appear in the scarlet jersey this season.

All hail the Chief of Sardis Road

Frank Keating meets Dale McIntosh, the Nest. No. 8 from King Country and a key figure One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest. No. 8 from King Country and a key figure One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest. There is nothing remotely birdlike, however, about or the cuckoo's of the absolute first pri-ority in rugby; it's no good having brilliant attackers if birdlike, however, about or the cuckoo's of the absolute first pri-ority in rugby; it's no good having brilliant attackers if birdlike, however, about or the cuckoo's of the absolute first pri-ority in rugby; it's no good having brilliant attackers if birdlike, however, about of the cuckoo's of the absolute first pri-birdlike. There is nothing remotely birdlike to the cuckoo's of the absolute first pri-having brilliant attackers if birdlike. in Pontypridd's European Cup success

> Country's junior development squads for three successive years.

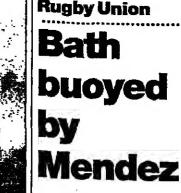
So the antecedents were vintage when he left for Brit-ain at 18 with his brother Shane (another footloose

scruff and not only keep the hall in close-quartered secu-rity away from the faster French but also to nurse their bonny, big back-row talisman Dale McIntosh. ancestral turf and did well enough to get a game for Scotland Under-21s before pitching up at Ponty, the Welsh club with traditional "twinning" ties with faraway King

The adopted New Zealander at No. 8, who received glittar-ing notices after Pontypridd's Country. It has been a mutually clamorous defeat of Bath in the cup's defining match so far, is in painful need of an operation to his knee carti-lage but has postponed it, and now been sunk and he has your defence is haywire. I learned that in New Zealand, and New Zealand are still teaching it to the world."

Kiwi crowds, he says, res-pond with acclaim to the defensive skills; it is the reverse in Britain. "Here you might

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Robert Armstrong

Barry and the signing of Argentina's hooker Federico Men-dez could hardly have come at a more timely moment in their quest for the Heineken European Cup.

The 24-year-old, who once famously pole-axed England's Paul Ackford at Twickenham, will bring a wealth of experi-ence from South African rugby to bear on the fledgling European competition should Bath survive to the quarter-finale Bath survive to the guarterfinals. Bath are aiming to clinch a place in the last eight in their final Pool A game in Treviso today.

No English club has found entry into Europe for the first time more traumatic than Bath, whose home win over Dax last Saturday lent substance to their claim to be "the best club in Europe" after a shock defeat at Pontypridd. Bath, who ran 11 tries past Bristol in a midweek league game, must defeat the Italians by a margin of at least 16 points to be sure of

reaching the knock-out stage. In the absence of Jon Cal-lard, who has a hip injury, the Wigan recruit Jason Robinson continues at full-back, a position in which he is ideally equipped to wreck havoc against Treviso. Dax, who are at home to Pontypridd, are the favourites to win the pool, but a respectable perfor-mance by the Welsh side, who have six points, could see them squeeze Bath out on scoring difference.

Leicester, who play host to Llanelli at Welford Road, could complete Pool B with a 100 per cent record, having achieved a remarkable victory at Pau a week ago. For the second week running Rory Underwood gives way to Leon Lloyd on the left wing while the Scarlets welcome their international backs levan Evans and Wayne Proctor back from injury. Pau can still reach the quarters by beating Leinster at Donnybrook.

Harlequins persevere with Will Carling at fly-helf for their home game against Cal-edonia, one of two Scottish district sides without a win in Europe. It would require a couple of freak results to prevent Quins and Brive, the Pool C leaders, qualifying for the knock-out stage. Even so,

the French side will not relish

ONTYPRIDD are con-fidently braced for their daunting day in schoolboy at No. 8 for King Dax. The refreshingly game club from the Valleys has surprised itself with stirring shows in this still nascent tournament of nations.

A Pool A record of P3, W3 in the European Cup encourages in them the determination to rugby carpetbagger, now playing for Ebbw Vale). Dale first tried his luck on grab this afternoon by the

> happy liaison. The strut and the accent may still be that of the carefree colonial rough diamond, but firm roots have

birdlike, however, about McIntosh's tackling on the hoof. As the match against Bath ran its rancous, desperate course, and as the English champions furiously raised their game yet again, in the very same Bath movement McIntosh by all accounts put in three successive sandbag-

ging tackles of defiantly cruel resplendence - one, two, three, in turn on the internationals Catt, Hilton and Robinson

He only sort-of remembers. "Oksy, I vaguely recall the one on Robinson. A tackie is a tackie. Hits either come off or they don't. That one was a 50to be the second second

going in hard, and then harder still, whether it's a ruck or manl or tackle. De for more southerly coastal

get the odd clap for a crucial big-hit tackle — and huge cheers for a 10-metre run with the bail. It was precisely the opposite in New Zealand." Another All Black tenet he

says he ingested with his mother's milk was "the big-ger the game, the bigger the performance you must put in". We shall see how it holds up today on his gammy knee. While Pontypridd has

never been in the Welsh clubs' big-league carve up --and how many down the cantury have left, or skirted past, Sardis Road on the look-out

HOTOGRAPH: JEFF MORGAN

men: Tom David's finger-wag-ging leadership thrillingly inspired Joe Smith's grand

If you ask me if I'm a New

Zealander, well, of course I am. But if I was ever picked to play for Wales, I'm telling you, my passion and commit ment to the cause could never be bettered by any pure Welshman. And that's the honest truth."

teams of the 1970s, just as Russell Robins's searing commitment and nous lit up the 1950s. Best of all might well

have been Duncan McGregor (described in the club's history as "a draper mad with rugby"), who 90 seasons ago was selected on the very same day to play in both the Scot-tish and Welsh trial matches. As it happened, McGregor chose Scotland, Each to his own. Says the Kiwi McIntosh:

balls during the final seesion. Thompson hit nine fours and three sizes. South Africs, with

Andrew Hudson scoring 68 and Lance Klusener 88 not out, crushed Australia by eight wickets in their Titan triangular socias match in Gauhati, India, to cruise into the final.

The South Africans were sever in trouble as they reached their 239 victory target with five overs to spare after Australia had

Tennis

Bleeper beaten by Gustafsson

Richard Jago in Paris

AGNUS Gustafsson beat the former Olym-pic champion Marc Rosset 6-2, 3-6, 6-2 here yes-terday to reach the semi-finals of the Paris Open. It was a difficult match for the level-headed Swede, who also had to overcome the constant ag-gravation of an electronic netcord monitor that emitted an insistent trill through the first two sets.

insistent trill through the first two sets. Gustafsson's forehand proved such a flercely flexible dis victory over his Swiss op-bis victory over his Swiss op-onent. He may also be about weeden's squad for the Davis Sweden's squad for the Davis Sup final at the end of the nonth. Just as important for afsson's ability to set aside rguments about the bleeping proved such a fiercely fierible weapon that he fully deserved his victory over his Swiss op-ponent. He may also be about to earn himself a place in Sweden's squad for the Davis Cup final at the end of the month. Just as important for this contest, though, was Gus-tafsson's ability to set aside arguments about the bleeping from equipment which both

arguments which both from equipment which both players asked to be turned off. It never was. "I think we would be better off going back to having a per-off going back to having a per-off going back to having a per-world No. 28 advanced with the solid victory. son with a hand on the net," said Gustafsson — and Rossat son with a hand on the net," said Gustafsson — and Rossat agreed. That is difficult to im-plement when 45 machines have been bought at a cost of several thousand dollars. Four times the floor super-viser Mark Darby came on to try to chear up the confusion



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his selection for Wales.

25-4-73-0; Willie 5-1-1 (Hit managed) 3-0-8-0. Unserver 5 Tausel and I Smerton. forebears. Rugby's registra-

tion rules continue to make mock The strapping and combat-

a month-long recuperation, to ensure that the Welsh club heads the quarter-final qualifications.

Brickhouse frame and But once Dax have been done for, 'tis well the sur-geon's work is done quickly, for such has been McIntosh's sest and thunderclap zeal in the competition so far that shoulders, jug ears framing blunt-scissored hair-do, his rampages in defence and attack have raised the rafters through the autumn at evocaalso imminent, some say, is tive and intimate Sardis

Road. The once putative All Black They call him The Chief. And All Hails resounded up, becomes eligible next month to pull on the national red liv-ery. In the Five Nations in January, Walas are first up against Scotland, home of his down and around Pontypridd's three valleys -Rhondda, Merthyr and Cynon - when Bath were sunk a fortnight ago. The nickname is no homage

to New Zealand Haka heroes nor to his Northern High-The strapping and connect in the to this inventional interview of the strapping and connect in the total interview of the strapping and connect in the strapping

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Bristol gifted £1 million

Bailed out of financial farances of opinion with against Australia at the club director of rugby Darryl Jones and walked The Northampton back depout when Neath's commitpresident Arthur Holmes. The retired businessman tee gave his superior their has agreed to make money available while the dispute fall backing.

Neath will reach the between the Rugby Foot-ball Union and English Proquarter-finals of the European Cup only in the highly fessional Rugby Union unlikely event of Harle-Clubs over the financing of the newly professionalised quins being thrashed by Caledonia today.

game continues. Bristol have made several high-profile signings but, unlike their neigh-bours Bath, have no mil-lionaire benefactor to help

utises for the injured Rob Wainwright.

Chalmers are both poten-tial fly-halves. But the like-lihood is that Townsend will play at centre rather than his preferred position with Chaimers at No. 10.

Caledonia today. Lianelli's flanker Iwan Jones, one of three players dismissed by Steve Lander against Pau a fortnight ago, has had a 60-day SUSpen-sion cut to 22 days after yesterday's European Cup disciplinary hearing in Manchester. Gregor Townsend will With Chalmers at No. 10. SCOTLAND Baeks a Armstrong Newcssia, C Chakmers (Melroso), R Stopper (Newtok, R) Susphered (Stifling County). B Redgeth, R Susphered (Stifling County). B Red

their clash with Ulster in what is likely to be a wet and windy Ravenhill. In Pool D Cardiff have already booked their quarterfinal berth with six points

from four games. The holders ntises for the injured Rob Wainwright. Townsend and Craig make further progress, though they may have to settle for second place and a consequent loss of home advantage in the quarters. Poor Wasps, having overrun Tou-louse 77-17, must travel to Milan for what is in effect the wooden-spoon match.

The quarter-finals on No-vember 16-17 are likely to include four French clubs, three English and one from Wales. The fixtures could pan out as: Dax v Toulouse, Cardiff v Bath, Leicester v Harlequins, Brive v Pau.

Results

and twice there were five-minute delays while he, the minute delays while he, the umpire and the players ar-gued it out. Once the ad-vanced device was attached to the net with a piece of house-hold tape and ooce Guissis-son was made to replay a rally of several strokes he had was the lost the wellay and Soccar CARGEAR LEAGUE Bay

Rugby League

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won. He lost the replay and moments later falled to con-vert two break-point rallies that should have been Chess

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● Britain's Ohropic bobileigh seam has been told that its latentive sponeorship deal with Zanuss will continue despite the recent drug scandel in which Mark Tout was bernad for IHe.

PARIS OPEN Genetar-Gasta M Gas-tations (Swe) bt M Rosset (Switz) 6-2, 3-6, 8-2; P Kords (C2) bt A Bostsch (Fr) 7-6, 7-5. LTA WOMMERS CHALLENGER (Edin-Boxing 7-6, 7-5 LTA woonstars CHALLENCORR (Edis-burgh): Courter-finales D Schladicova (C2) bi J Pullin (GB) 6-6, 6-2, 6 Smith (GB) bi K Cross (GB) 6-6, 6-0; M Starmaka (Aut) bi S Noorlander (Neth) D-5, Lennox Lewis's fight with Oliver McCall for the vacant WBC heavyweight title has been fixed for January 11 in Nashville — or has it? The Automatica (Aut) bt S Noorlander (Repui) u-a. 6-8, 5-4, Astanurizechi CUP (Cinicago): Womean Second reseate J Cauntal (US) bi M Ma-leeve, (Buf) 5-3, 5-7, 5-1; L. Darvenpert (US) bt P Susreg (Arg) 7-6, 5-0; B Solanitz BacCarthy (Neth) bt L Wild (US) 7-5, 5-7, 7-6, Gaarthar Thatis III Seles (US) bt I Spir-Itea (Rom) 7-8, 5-2. former champion has also been told by the promoter Don King that the fight could be in Britzin on February 8

and Lewis's manager Frank Maloney confirmed he had two contracts for the fight.

United by Control Champions (Minorca): Testih round (England scores): U-15: 5 Millians (Gelitiona) ISI. U-14: 1: - (K Man (Nansiand), P Acs. (Hun) 7X. U-14: 1: Pigyor (Scowmarket) 5. U-15: 5 Buckley (Kaynakan) 42. Ghim U-35: 1: - H Hunt (Oxford), M Ziefinsta (Pol) 7X. U-14: 5. R Sheldon (Manchester) 7. U-14: R Kleran (Kent) SL Golf Laura Davies was four shots off the lead after the first round of the Toray Japan Queens Cup in Azuma. She SUPERSPORT SERVERS (First day): Cape Tesene W Province 220 (J Commins Sino, H Actarman 31; Bryson 4-66). N Transvzei 85-2. Derham Masi 315-6 (D Serverstein 129no, M Brityne 73, S Pollock Séno) v Border. Penets Boland 288 (L Ferreira 127) English 5-55). Griqualand Weet 7-0. shot a 71 and was one of six players on one under par. Japan's Hiromi Kobayashi leads on 67.

Chess

two gold medals in the final round of the world youth championships in Minorca, writes Leonard Barden. The 15-year-old Karl Mah, from Wanstead, shares the world under-16 lead on 7½ points with Peter Acs of Hungary.

with Shropshire.

Sport in brief Snooker **Belgium in Irish Waterloo**

Clive Everton in Bangkok

break to beat Terry Murphy, who stands 41st. Delselime, ranked 160th, had a run of 58 qualify for the quarter-finals. THE Benelux countries were the first in main-land Europe to take to snooker and Belgium yester-day sprang the first major up-set in the World Cup by tak-ing the final three frames to beat the No. 4 seeds Northern England (Peter Ebdon, Ni-gel Bond and Ronnie O'Sullivan) were held to 5-4 by China, who could still pip

Thailand for the second quali-

fying place in Group C. Darren Morgan, the Welsh captain, was advised on Thursday to fly home because his cancer-stricken mother had taken a turn for the worse. His father later said it was her wish that Morgan should play against Malaysia.

Superleague proposes overtime farce

are left on the ice.

Vic Batcheider tion's technical director, gue proposal for deciding tied end-of-season play-off games. "It's absolutely ridiculous, a complete farce," he said after John Lord, the Superleague's

revealed a plan to reduce pro-

gressively the number of skat- | out:"After 10 minutes, when ers, excluding goalminders, it's still a tie and the referee from five to three the longer a from five to three the longer a gives a penalty, you can hack tied semi-final or final goes on Initially such games will go Initially such games will go into five minutes of suddencause you cannot play less death overtime; if that fails to than three players on the ice at produce a result, further fiveany time. minute sessions will follow, "So it's open season for but with a player from each side being removed at each ex-

everybody; crosschecking, hooking, slashing. It work tension until a minimum of happen, because you can't do three skaters and a goalie each it. I've spoken to three coaches and all three think it's a farce. Toemen was quick to point | They're laughing."

major British tournaments inspired clubs to spring up in Belgium and the Netherlands, table sales boomed and play-The Republic of Ireland. ers such as Bjorn Haneveer, now 20, Mario Geudens, 21, and Patrick Delsellme, 22, emerged. At 4-2 down, Geudens, the Although he dropped the play Northern Ireland today. The Republic have won 13 frames from two matches, bere although his mother is frames from two matches, bere although his mother is frames from two matches, bere although his mother is the communication of the second s world No. 215, made a 75 Belgium 13 from three and still critical.

England are in contention for Ice Hockey

BENESON AND MEDGEE CUP: Semi-fis-ste, second lag: Natingham 3, Sheffeld 1 (agg 6-3); Basingstoke 4, Ayr 9 (9-6), Willia Borison 4, Marthord 4; Torobia 5, NY Islanders 2; PiRadelphia 4, Tempe Bay 3,

Harriet Hunt, the British woman champion, is in joint first place in the world girls' under-18 championship. She

and Marta Zielinska of

NICO TOEMEN, the Brit-ish Ice Hockey Associa-

reacted explosively when told of the revolutionary Superlea-

all-rounder released by War-wickshire in August, has signed a one-year contract chief executive, yesterday

Poland have 7½ points. Cricket Shahid Nazir, the 21-year-old Pakistan seam bowler, is to join the Northern League side Kendal as their professional next season. Paul Smith, the



LENN HODDLE | has invited Paul Gascoigne to join him on the road to the Caucasus in the hope that he can set the player on the straight and

"I believe I now have a I, condone what Paul has clear understanding of the done," Hoddle continued. "I problems he and his family are experiencing," Hoddle said. "I have been deeply im-pressed by his determination expect high standards. I also accept that people are human. Paul knows he has to change in the long term. My aim is to to address his problems, and do nothing in the short term

drink, drug and gambling problems, and Tony Adams, his Arsenal captain who recently admitted to being an alcoholic, are in the squad.

rehabilitation treatment for

Both Merson, who has had rehabilitation treatment for irink, drug and gambling problems, and Tony Adams, Jesus taught forgiveness and Jesus taught forgivenes and that people could change. "Saul was one," he added. At the moment the link be-

Taylor: "There comes a time when you have to take res-ponsibility for yourself. You can't allow your fitness to go." And when Taylor said go." And when Taylo that Gascoigne was 25.

ing the aurally challenged. It is well known of course that the modern football fan, far from sharing the monocu-

plinary committee for mock-

an obscene slogan concerning

Aston Villa never caught on.

Paul Gascoigne's imitation of an Orange parade flautist

during a Rangers game was crass, but then one always did

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